

**VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING
Village of Lexington – 7227 Huron Ave., Lexington, MI
September 16, 2022 @ 5:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Yankee called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: by Vicki Scott

PRESENT: Adams, Kaatz, Yankee, VanDyke, Drouillard, McGovern, Bender & Bales (5:01 p.m.)

ABSENT: Blaesing, Westbrook

OTHERS PRESENT: A. Sutton, P. Muoio, D. Klaas

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Kaatz, seconded by VanDyke, to approve the agenda as presented.

All Ayes

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Kathy DeCoster commented on the light pole quotes.

BUSINESS:

1. **Waterfront Redevelopment Grant** – VanDyke explained in previous meetings we discussed looking for grant funding to help execute some of the master plan along the waterfront. A couple of things have come to light that the DDA should be looking at. With some of the allocations that have been occurring at the state level, there is a possibility of getting grant funding. On behalf of the DDA we would like to submit interest to the state legislator to be considered for grant dollars that is enough to do the Tierney Park portion of the project and also to essentially redevelop the rest of the harbor. There is no application process at this point. Senator Stabenow visited the Village two weeks ago. She has supported that the federal government allocate (in this federal budget cycle) do the engineering work associated with repairs and reinvestment to the break water, which was approximately \$800,000.00 as part of the US Army Corp of Engineers. She has committed to push in the next fiscal year the 8 million dollars that has been budgeted to make the repairs. In the packet it shows the allocations already made. There isn't an application process at this time. We are looking to write a letter of support to our representative to consider Lexington in the map. Kaatz explained this is how we secured the funds for our Master Plan. Discussion followed.

MOTION by VanDyke, seconded by McGovern, to support Village President Kristen Kaatz sending a letter to Senator Lauwers office expressing the DDA support for funding for the rest of the harbor project including the Tierney Park project.

Discussion:

AMENDED MOTION by VanDyke, seconded by McGovern, to approve the DDA (Kristen Kaatz) sending a letter to Senator Lauwers office expressing the DDA support for funding for the rest of the harbor project including the Tierney Park project as well as sending it to Council.

Discussion:

Roll Call:

Ayes: VanDyke, McGovern, Bender, Bales, Drouillard, Kaatz, Adams, Yankee

Nays: None

Motion carried

2. **Approve Bid for Light Poles** – Yankee explained we received two bids for the light poles. The last page shows the breakdown. States bid is an incorrect bid. If the board wants to go forward with this project, Yankee suggests doing it all at once to save money. Discussion follows.

MOTION by VanDyke, seconded by Drouillard, to approve Seaway Painting to complete the job in the amount of \$21,978.00.

Discussion:

Roll Call:

Ayes: VanDyke, Drouillard, Bales, Bender, Adams, McGovern, Kaatz, Yankee

Nays: None

Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Peter Muoio commented with questions on the grant funding.
- Kathy DeCoster commented on the grant funding.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by VanDyke, seconded by Kaatz to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 pm.

All Ayes

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Scott

September 16, 2022

Approved