



Allegan County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

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Zoom Meeting

6:00 pm

Minutes of a Scheduled Meeting of the Allegan County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

A scheduled meeting of the Allegan County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority was called to order by Mike VanDenBerg at 6:04pm on Tuesday, June 9, 2020.

Roll call showed the following members:

PRESENT: Mike VanDenBerg, John Daddona, Erik Wilson, Suzanne Dixon, Gale Dugan, Aaron Mitchell, Nick Breedveld, Jeff Balgoyen

ABSENT: Darrell Oakley

Also present: Dan Wedge, Allegan County, Katie DeGroff, Lakeshore Advantage, Michael Gurnee, Brownfield Coordinator whose contact information is as follows: gurneem1@michigan.gov phone number is 269-568-1291

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – None. Motion made by Nick Breedveld, supported by Erik Wilson.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Amendment: Mike VanDenBerg was not there. Mark Evans present and making motions. Motion made by Erik Wilson on the agenda as Corection. Supported by Suzanne Dixon. Motion Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

ACTION ITEMS:

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Dan Wedge discussed reaching out to townships to identify Brownfield properties for upcoming grant requests. John looking to Lakeshore Advantage for insight and connections to communities for high priority site for grants. Erik asked about PFA sites and whether they would be acceptable. Mike

Gurnee discussed criteria for clean up in order to be eligible. Looking for LSA to reach out to municipalities and commissioners on available sites. Gale mentioned he knows of a few different PFAs sites between Plainwell and Otsego.

2. For application to be ready to go in December we would need to make final approval at November 12 board meeting. Discussion would be need to be at the October 22nd meeting and draft application would need to be ready to go end of September. Looking at any area, no restraints on where. Looking to do an assessment grant. John mentioned if we go for a multi-purpose grant you cannot do a separate grant for the county, but can do multiple if doing assessment grant and clean up grant. Need to have a list of options by next meeting.
3. Suzanne said the Village of Douglas Brownfield Redevelopment Authority met last month and discussed that the Village may apply. Brownfield authority is now the property owner and the Village has an MOU with the adjoining property owner who is a developer. They discussed developing both partials as a unit and the adjoining property owner was sharing ideas for both properties. Both private owner and city both interested in the grant for the project. Village of Douglas realizes this is a big project and will need EPA money along with state money.
4. Dan has been working with Aaron Mitchell on an application to apply for infrastructure funding through the EDA. The funds cannot be used for actual clean up but can be used for infrastructure so the following would be eligible expenses: street improvement, bridge replacement, sewer, water. Looking to Louis Pitsch for clean up cost. This is an 80/20 community match for funding. Dan has not gotten a response from Louis or Max from Third Coast Development. Looking to the city to move forward with Rock Tenn to add value.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Next Meeting: August 11, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. - Location TBD

Erik Wilson motioned to adjourn seconded by Gale Dugan. Adjournment 7:02pm