

# Allegan County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority



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### **ALLEGAN COUNTY BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

August 9, 2022

In Person Meeting Zimmerman Room (with zoom for public)

**Mike  
Vandenberg**  
269-685-9471  
**Vice Chair**  
Plainwell

### **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 Vandenberg at 6:06pm on Tuesday, August 9, 2022.

**Nick Breedveld**  
269-377-8075  
**Secretary/  
Treasurer**  
Otsego

**Roll call** showed the following members:

**PRESENT:** Mike Vandenberg, Nick Breedveld, Suzanne Dixon, Erik Wilson (ZOOM)

**Suzanne Dixon**  
773-405-1598  
Douglas

**ABSENT:** Gale Dugan, Aaron Mitchell, Darrel Oakley

**Gale Dugan**  
269-694-5276  
Otsego

Also present: Dan Wedge, Allegan County, Heather Bausick, Allegan County, Dan Capone (Zoom), Jake Backler(Zoom)

**Darrel Oakley**  
269-650-0043  
Allegan

**COMMUNICATIONS:** EPA Grant Letter (not selected)

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Not enough members present

**Erik Wilson**  
269-685-6821  
Plainwell

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Not enough members present

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:** None

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Elect Officers 2022 – not enough members present. Postponed until November 1, 2022.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Rock Tenn
  - a. Demo Update – Crushed concrete is going to go offsite and site will be backfilled with sand. City contractor will crush concrete and will buy fill sand from city. Concrete is 2/3 of the way crushed.
  - b. Soil Testing –Complete. Final copy is on website under RockTenn Project. Capone states there are a few samples that had numbers exceeding limits, but the numbers were minimal and nothing critical.
  - c. Development Update – Backler stated the company is waiting on a housing study to be completed. After the study is received, the buyer will then develop the best fit vision for the property based on city needs. After the plans are created, it may take upwards of 2 years for entire building process.
  - d. Brownfield Reimbursement Agreement Status – Per Wedge, the reimbursement will have to be finalized by the board. Will go for approval once cleanup is finished, barring any other unforeseen expenses. Currently there is a draft agreement, but has conflicting language in regards to collecting interest on funds.
2. Brownfield Initiatives and EPA grants
  - a. Per Wedge, applications have been done several times and been unsuccessful. New areas of cleanup need to be presented.
  - b. Dan Capone spoke of groundwater contamination and cleanup by injecting soil cleaning chemicals into ground and then tracking decreasing levels over time.
  - c. Dixon suggested the Fennville Birds Eye fruit packing plant which has some contamination of outside field areas
  - d. Breedveld suggested several Clark gas stations in Martin, Plainwell, and Otsego that have underground tanks needing cleanup.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. Brownfield Reimbursement Agreement
  - a. Will come to this committee before going to BOC
2. Revise Brownfield Plan
3. Elect Officers 2022

**ADJOURNMENT:** 6:41 pm

**Next Meeting: November 1, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. – Zimmerman Room**