ADA TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DDA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 10, 2020, SEMI-ANNUAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING

A regular meeting of the Ada Township Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Semi-Annual Informational Meeting was held on Monday, August 10, 2020, 8:30 a.m. via video/audio-conferencing, in conformance with the Michigan Governor's Executive Order concerning temporary authorization of remote participation in public meetings.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 a.m. by Chairperson, Bowersox.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Bowersox, Dawn Marie Coe, George Haga, Bryan Harrison, Devin Norman, Margaret Idema, Justin Knapp, Ted Wright

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Vanderwulp

STAFF AND OFFICIALS PRESENT: Elaine Buckley, Admin. Asst., Jim Ferro, Planning Director, er **PUBLIC PRESENT:** none

II. INFORMATION ON DDA EVENTS AND PROJECTS

Ferro informed the Board he included in the packet an informational summary of programs and projects the DDA had in 2019 and welcomed any questions or comments. Ferro also included a synopsis of events that were planned for 2020 with many events that were cancelled, including the Leprechaun Hunt, and all three Beers at the Bridge events. Ferro stated there are two upcoming Fall events that are uncertain at this time. Ferro stated filling the vacant DDA Coordinator position has been postponed and will be reviewed again at a later time.

Ferro stated the projects that were completed were street sweeping and the holiday garland and lighting installation removed in the Village. Ferro stated the Farmers Market is up and running through September or October, with social distancing regulations in place.

Idema asked for an update on the hiring of a Township Manager. Haga stated a contract has been negotiated with Julius Suchy, current Village Manager of Sparta, MI, and would be reviewed for approval at the Board Meeting today.

III. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Norman, seconded by Idema, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:53 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Devin Norman, Secretary

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