

**ADA TOWNSHIP  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 7, 2012 SPECIAL MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Bob Kullgren.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** George Haga, Bryan Harrison, Jim Ippel, Bob Kullgren, Walt VanderWulp

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Terry Bowersox, Tom Korth, Devin Norman, Ted Wright

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jim Ferro, Planning Director

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved by consent.

**DISCUSSION OF NEED FOR UPDATE OF VILLAGE DESIGN CHARRETTE**

Kullgren shared with Board members a media announcement being released this morning jointly by him and Supervisor Haga, announcing that yesterday Amway acquired the Thornapple Village Shopping Center, and that other recent property acquisitions by Amway include 2 homes on Thornapple River Dr. and land on M-21 that was formerly owned by John Gilmore. Kullgren stated that Amway has approached the Township regarding these acquisitions and has stated that they have no plans in place for any changes or development at this time. He noted that Amway has told us that they would like the DDA and the Township to take the lead in carrying out a community input process to develop ideas for how the newly-acquired properties and other land owned by Amway along M-21 could be re-developed to carry out the vision for the community that was developed in the 2006 Village Design Charrette. Kullgren stated that Amway would be participants in that process.

Kullgren stated this would have implications for our budget in the coming year, and that Board members should give thought to how this process should be carried out, in preparation for a significant discussion at the January Board meeting.

Kullgren stated he would communicate this information to Board members not in attendance following this meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Harrison, seconded by VanderWulp, to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

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Tom Korth, Secretary