

**GRAND BLANC TOWNSHIP  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DDA)  
MEETING HELD May 25, 2021 @ 5:00 PM  
5371 S. Saginaw Street, PO Box 1833, Grand Blanc, MI 48480-0057**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bennett at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Bennett, Jim Tubbs, Bob Brundle, Jeff Gary, Bill Swift, Joy Finkenbiner, Doug King, Win Cooper. MEMBERS ABSENT: Nick George

ALSO PRESENT: D. Lattie, D. Liimatta,

CITIZEN ATTENDEES: none

MOTION: Mr. Tubbs moved for approval of the agenda and consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Cooper. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: none

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

**Baldwin Road Project**

Jack Wheatley from Rowe PC updated the board on the progress of the engineering plans, which are approximately 75% complete. In addition, Rowe is submitting an MDOT Category A grant application for 3M, with a 20% match obligation. The current estimate for total cost is currently 2.7M, with infrastructure for possible non-motorized pathway.

**Presentation from Matt Strom, Cooperative Education Manager, Kettering University**

Mr. Strom presented the cooperative education program at Kettering that provides employment opportunities for students and engineering interns for employers. The Board discussed importance of access to highly trained professionals for businesses, particularly for those in the DDA. Mr. Strom expressed a desire to work with businesses in the DDA to assist in co-op placement, and highlight the program for prospective DDA businesses.

**Marketing Discussion**

Mr. Brundle and Chairman Bennett discussed marketing opportunities for the DDA with Vidcam

Motion by Chairman Bennett, second by Mr. Brundle to forward correspondence to urge the county to consider investing available federal and state funds in the DDA and Grand Blanc Township. Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

MOTION by Mr. Bennett seconded by Mr. Swift to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Submitted,

David L. Lattie for W. Cooper, Secretary