

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BANGOR
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

A special meeting of the Charter Township of Bangor Downtown Development Authority was scheduled to be held on Thursday, February 11/2, 2015, commencing at 11:00 AM, prevailing time was held at the offices of the Township pursuant to notice.

Present: B. Behmlander, B. Goik, K. Lange, D. Leitermann, T. Thelen and T. Watson
Absent: L. Newton and J. Rivet
Also present: W. Darbee

Chairman called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM after determining that a quorum was present by roll call vote.

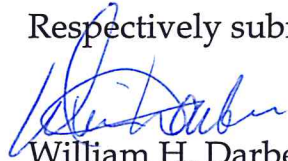
The Chairman then asked if there was any person in attendance who wanted to address the Board. The Chairman noted that no one made a request and so he moved onto the next order of business.

The Chairman stated that he periodically will receive a request from someone that requires an expenditure of funds, such as the removal of the trees and shrubs from the DDA owned lots or for some other legitimate but currently unknown expense for which he has no authority for payment. Such is the case with the cutting of the trees and brush from DDA owned lots. He currently has authority to spend \$5,000. He looked into cutting all of the brush and trees on DDA owned lots and has determined that in order to get it done he has a bid of \$6,800. Although he has authority to spend \$5,000 the bid is over that amount. Ms. Behmlander questioned whether the trees are large ones or like brush. The Chairman indicated they range from small brush to about 12"-15" tree trunks. Mr. Thelen would like to see the Chairman have unlimited discretion to spend money on DDA projects without coming to the Board for every nickel and dime expenditure. After some further general discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lange with support of Ms. Behmlander to increase the current budget for cleanup of trees and brush within the S&S Subdivision from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and allow the Chairman to select vendors and authorize expenditures up to \$10,000. The Chairman called for questions and hearing none called for a vote on the issue. The motion passed with a vote of six votes in favor and no votes opposed to the motion.

The Chairman then stated that the S & S Subdivision was mitigated as wetlands at the request of Bay County a number of years ago. When the DDA sold the lots to DeShano it was with the understanding that the lands were fully mitigated and that building on same was not an issue. The Chairman has since learned that a fill permit is required to be secured from the MDEQ since the original fill permit expired in 2002. In order to secure a fill permit an application needs to be filled out and submitted to the MDEQ and a \$2,000 fee paid. Currently the Chairman stated he is working with the county, and specifically Laura Ogar, to secure the fill permit. After discussion with Ms. Ogar it was the Chairman's opinion that the DDA should secure a permit to fill for all of the lands originally covered by the mitigation permit which will include all of the S & S Subdivision Lots, especially since the cost will be the same whether it is for a single lot or for all of the original acreage covered by the mitigation by the County. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lange with support of Mr. Thelen to authorize the Chairman to expend up to \$5,000 in his discretion for unknown contingencies that may arise regarding DDA obligations related to the DeShano Development Agreement and give the Chairman authority at his discretion to approve any issues deemed necessary. The Chairman called for questions and hearing none called for a vote on the issue. The motion passed with a vote of six votes in favor and no votes opposed to the motion.

Hearing no request for further business, it was moved by Mr. Lange with a second of Ms. Behmlander to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 AM. The Chairman hearing no opposition to the motion declared the meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM.

Respectively submitted,



William H. Darbee
Recording Secretary