

# Charter Township of Bangor

## Downtown Development Authority

The Bangor Downtown Development Authority was formed in November 1989 with the goal of improving the economic development of Bangor Township along Euclid and Wilder Roads over the next thirty-year period. A ten-year renewal was completed in January 2020 with the Charter Township of Bangor and Delta College participating as taxing authorities. This renewal established a \$500,000 fund cap and pass-through threshold with the focus of the Bangor DDA over the next 10 years to be laid out in the Strategic Plan.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** During 2023, the DDA Board continued discussion on the development of a Strategic Plan with five objectives.

1. Overall prevention of deterioration of existing areas within the District
2. Promotion of Economic Development with the District
3. Creation of Jobs
4. Partner with Business Owners of Vacant Buildings and Struggling Businesses
5. District Beautifications (trees, sidewalks, business façade update, etc.)

**BANGOR COMMERCIAL PARK:** The refurbishment or replacement of the sign structure remained under discussion during the year. Several strategies were considered to address the ongoing maintenance and state fees as well as sign removal. The board agreed will be taken up in 2023.

**WETLANDS MITIGATION:** The existing Wetlands Mitigation Agreement with the DEQ is in the eighth year of a ten-year plan. With the development of the remaining parcels in the Bangor Commercial Park, the Board will work the Bay County to seek and end to the Wetlands Mitigation project.

**TRI CITY BREWERY – EXPANSION:** Development Agreement executed in 2022 to support the expansion of Tri City Brewery was completed in 2023. Improvements included ADA compliant access points for an expanded covered patio structure with glass doors to allow the business the ability to host events year-round.

### FUTURE PROJECTS:

- Business After Hours Reception – Bay Area Chamber of Commerce / Bay Future
- Wetlands Mitigation - \$30,000 (Completion in 2025)
- Bangor Commercial Park Signage - \$30,000
- Commercial Business Attraction
- Amenities – Bench Replacement
- Business Façade Enhancement Program