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## DDA MEETING MINUTES of April 20, 2018

Members Present: Heugli,

Kenny,

Prax, Pringle,

Director Paul Maxwell,

Supervisor Lewandowski.

Members Absent: Kellerman, Harrison, Shonka

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 by Heugly

Motion by, Kenny

second by, Prax

to approve the minutes of the

10/13/2017 meeting. Motion Passed.

Motion by , Kenny

second by, Prax

to accept the Treasurers Report

as presented. Motion Passed.

Director Maxwell updated the board on:

DOT Rail: Should be receiving a report this spring by Bergman and Associates. Should be bringing several ideas gleaned from the public hearings and will put several project locations forward then will hold several more public hearings. DDA has put forward 2 locations, one on CN Rail property and another submitted later on Port Huron Township property. City of Port Huron has submitted also. Port Huron Township has support from. Michigan Association of Rail Passengers and another group wanting international rail service. Port Huron township will receive no tax base from the depot but hoping to use the depot as an economic engine.

Checkers/Smootie enterprise: Photos submitted for consideration is appearing to move forward on the property.

Former Sweeney Cleaning Bldg: Eastern Mich Bank now owns building. Person is interested in using building for shipping and receiving retail type warehouse.

Former Loxtons Resturant – Has a buyer for building and fixtures.

Dependable Cleaning project is temporarily on hold after taking on more businessand hiring more people. Is still planning on building spec building next door to current building in future.

Excalibur: Doing Well! Looking to expand into more space in the current building. Exclaibur does warranty work for the product line.

Snyder Automotive: Now open across the street from the Twp Hall. relocated from Lapeer and Range Rd location.

Buckland Global: 24<sup>th</sup> st. and Howard customs broker. Buckland made an offer on a building on Dove and 20<sup>th</sup> and is adding up to 50-100 people.

Street Lighting: Some street lights are fading and corroding. Discussion on repairing and painting lighting.

Solar Farm: are still looking in the area. DTE is asking permission to build a new power plant in St Clair. Is placing a new solar farm near greenwood power plant. Michigan Public Service Commission has expressed to DTE it was less expensive to put in a solar farm instead of a power plant DTE does not believe the solar is not as reliable as a plant. Planning to put in a coal/gas fired plant in St Clair.

Tractor Supply Building: have had a lot of interest in the building.

Other Discussion: Ace Hardware is closing on 24th St.

Brainstorming: Fedex is not renewing the lease on their current location.

Next Meeting is Scheduled for July 20th

Motion by , Pringle, Second By.Kenny to adjourn. Motion Passed.

Adjourned @12:43pm.