

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING—APRIL 14, 2008**

Chairman Reaume called the meeting to order at 4:05 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Reaume
 Joseph Barone
 Thomas Booth
 Dave Cook
 Jim Grutza
 Mike Kolb
 Michelle Ludtke

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Jim Stevens
 Ron Kasperski

ALSO PRESENT: Patrick Fellrath, Township Civil Engineer
 Tom Doran of Hubbell, Roth and Clark
 Jane Graham of Hubbell, Roth and Clark
 Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary

3. Approval of minutes for the February 11, 2008 meeting

Moved by Mr. Cook, supported by Mrs. Ludtke, to approve the minutes for the February 11, 2008, meeting as presented. Ayes all.

4. Old Business

Mr. Reaume began with Item “C” to better accommodate presenters Tom Doran and Jane Graham of Hubbell, Roth, & Clark.

C. Ann Arbor Road CSX Railroad Bridge Improvement Concepts.
Presentation of Report (HRC, Inc.)

Mr. Doran and Ms. Graham presented a report that was developed by HRC, Inc. in conjunction with Township staff. The report recommended work in the following phases:

Phase I: Bridgework - \$665,000
Phase II: Retaining wall and evergreen trees - \$375,000
Phase III: Complete Master Plan as proposed by Calvin Hall & Associates -
 \$1,230,000, which cost estimate does not include consultant fees for
 surveying, engineering, landscape architect and other governing agencies
 which could be involved in this phase

The report also covered process for implementation, insights concerning CSX, ideas to expedite the

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project, photographs of the current status of the bridge and drawings of proposed improvements.

Mr. Fellrath suggested members review the report and at the next meeting questions can be answered and recommendations made as to how to proceed.

A. 2008 Streetscape Landscape Maintenance (Eckles Rd. to Haggerty Rd.)

Mr. Fellrath indicated Denny's Landscaping is now in the third and final year of their contract. This week they are starting spring cleanup which will include pulling weeds, mulching and removing trash. They will also include the State Farm building. The irrigation system is scheduled for startup the last week of April or first week of May, in coordination with the DPW who will be installing the water meters beforehand. The roses removed during fall cleanup will be replaced this spring.

Mr. Reaume said that the 35th District Court was contacted and workers made a sweep down Ann Arbor Road last weekend.

B. Streetscape Lighting Update. Banners at Haggerty Rd. and Eckles Rd.

Mr. Fellrath said Tillman Electric hung the banners at the Haggerty Road intersection and at Eckles Road. Since January there have been instances where banks of lights have been out and the breakers have been tripped. This is being monitored to determine a cause. Tillman's response time has been fast, and they feel the problem will reveal itself over time. They have not yet presented an insurance document (ie, payment bond) to finalize the contract, but they have been doing work per contract.

5. New Business

A. Approval of Invoices

Moved by Mr. Grutza, supported by Mrs. Ludtke, to approve the invoices as presented. Ayes all.

6. Public Comment

Mr. Reaume updated members on the water tower and shopping center progress.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Booth, supported by Mrs. Ludtke, to adjourn the meeting. Ayes all.

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Mr. Reaume adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

Michelle Ludtke, Secretary
Downtown Development Authority

Richard M. Reaume, Chairman
Downtown Development Authority

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