



**CANTON TOWNSHIP  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
Minutes of the April 20, 2022 Meeting**

This meeting was held via videoconference due to Covid-19.  
The meeting was called to order at 8:10 A.M. by Chair Person, Bart Patterson.

- Present:** Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Bart Patterson, Laura Giove, Mark Waldbauer, Seth Kleinglass, Steve Brock, Richard Zuniga
- Absent:** Dianne Cojei, Andy Hargreaves, Kurt Olson, Wedad Suleiman, Sandeep Narang
- Staff:** Amy Hamilton, Kerri Romanko
- Guests:** N/A

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

MOTION: by Laura Giove, supported by Mark Waldbauer, to accept the agenda as presented.

AYES: All present

**APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 2022 MINUTES**

MOTION: by Mark Waldbauer, supported by Laura Giove, to approve the March 16, 2022 meeting minutes.

AYES: All present

**CITIZENS' NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

NONE

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

MOTION: by Laura Giove, supported by Seth Kleinglass, to accept payment of bills.

AYES: All present

**CONSIDER THREE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE DDA LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR FRANK'S LANDSCAPING & SUPPLIES LLC**

Amy Hamilton said the landscaping contract is expiring this year and Frank's Landscaping has been doing it since 2017. She said this contract is complicated and with the impending boulevard project and the fact that Frank's is very familiar with our district she felt it would be best to stick with them for the next three years and re-bid the contract after we have the boulevard. Amy explained that Frank agreed to keep his rate \$123,000 per year through 2025. The board thought it was a good idea as well since we will be able to keep the same rate.

MOTION: by Seth Kleinglass, supported by Steve Brock, to extend the landscape contract with Frank's Landscaping LLC.

AYES: All present

**DISCUSSION: DISTRIBUTION OF MDOT FLYERS FOR APRIL 26 MEETING**

Anne Marie Graham-Hudak said construction started on Canton Center Road. She said they handed out flyers to businesses before it started to make them aware of it. Anne Marie said there will be an informational meeting about the Ford Road Boulevard project on April 26<sup>th</sup> and she wants to do the same along Ford Road so the business owners know. She said the businesses on Ford Road have been divided into sections so volunteers can cover certain sections.

Bart Patterson asked where flyers can be picked up. Anne Marie Graham-Hudak said she will leave them at the Treasurers Department. Bart said he would pick some up to distribute. Seth Kleinglass said he would pass out some in his area. Steve Brock asked about the mater list so everyone knows what areas have already been covered. Anne Marie said she will drop it off to everyone who can participate.

**DDA COORDINATOR'S REPORT – April 14, 2022**

- **Public Art Jury** – The 2021-2022 selections will be installed on May 5.
  
- **Canton Center Road Construction** – Full concrete reconstruction of both the northbound and southbound lanes of Canton Center Road from Ford to Warren Roads will begin Monday, April 18. This large-scale construction project will be done in three phases. Please note, during Phase 1, there will be no left-turns allowed.
  
- **MDOT Public Meeting** – MDOT will be holding the first public meeting on the Ford Boulevard project on Tuesday, April 26 from 5-7pm at the Summit on the Park. This will be the first opportunity the public has to ask questions about the project. They plan to do a presentation at 5pm and repeat it at 6pm. Questions will be answered in between.
  
- **Comprehensive Master Plan Update** – Planning Services is in the process of updating Canton's Comprehensive Master Plan. The Master Plan is a long-range policy document that guides the community for the next 10 – 20 years on a variety of topics, such as land use, development, housing and neighborhoods, infrastructure, transportation and corridors, environmental preservation, and more.

The update is expected to take 12 – 18 months and will include a robust public engagement strategy to gather feedback from Canton residents, business owners, property owners, and other community stakeholders, such as the DDA.

The project will kick off this spring with all updates and information posted to [canton-mi.org/masterplan](http://canton-mi.org/masterplan). You may also email questions and comments to [masterplan@canton-mi.org](mailto:masterplan@canton-mi.org).

- **New Business Update** – A Certificate of Compliance has been issued for the following businesses:
  - **Saroki's Pizza – 41338 Ford Road**
  
  - **Me So Selfie Pix** – 42419 Ford Road (Photography studio)
  
  - **Membership Center BJ's Wholesale** – 40164 Ford (former Halloween USA)

**ADDITIONAL CITIZENS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

Bart Patterson asked if there will be a spring shredding event. Amy Hamilton said no, but there will probably be one in the Fall.

Seth Kleinglass wanted to make everyone aware of the SJ5K race that is happening in two weeks. His son is a benefactor and he said it's a great event if anyone would like to come out or participate.

Anne Marie Graham-Hudak said GFL collects our compost but we are looking at a deal with them where we create a central location that residents can come to pick up compost for their gardens. Amy Hamilton said there is information on the website and social media as well as a press release. The first compost pick-up for residents will be April 30<sup>th</sup> at our Department of Public Works, off of Sheldon Road. She said residents must bring their own bags, bins, and/or any equipment they would need to use.

**ADJOURN**

MEETING CALLED TO ADJOURN at 8:21 A.M.