



THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
DOUGLAS BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
June 9, 2022 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order: Chair Balmer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Present – Dixon, Fechtig (by zoom), Sapita, La Bombard, Balmer  
Absent – None  
Chair informed those on zoom that Fechtig would not count towards a quorum or could vote.
3. Consent Calendar:
  - A. Approve the June 9, 2022, meeting agenda
  - B. Approve the February 9, 2022, meeting minutes

*Motion by Dixon, with support from Sapita, to approve the Consent Calendar as amended (amending the Feb. 9 meeting minutes). Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present.*

4. Public Communication:
  - A. Verbal (Limit of 3 minutes)
  - B. Written Communications
    - i. EPA Hot Spot Clean-up  
The EPA has stated two toxic hot spots in Michigan will take longer to clean up than many others in the Great Lake States. One of these two hot spots is the Kalamazoo River. Papermills in the area produced toxic PCB waste that flowed downstream. Dams were built and PCB contaminated sediment built up behind it.
5. Unfinished Business:
  - A. No unfinished business.
6. New Business
  - A. DRAFT Work Plan

Members were presented with a DRAFT Work Plan to be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the 200 Blue Star Highway Grant. No attorney review is required.

Dixon believed that the document she was viewing was more specific than before and inquired if there was a developer who provided the information. Referencing item I. Proposed Outputs and Outcomes in the DRAFT Work Plan, Dixon pointed specifically to sq ft of proposed commercial retail and restaurant space.



La Bombard stated this information may have been placed as an example, it may have come from the Beach Gate project. It could be sized down if preferred.

*Motion by La Bombard, with support from Dixon, to accept the draft Work Plan as proposed for submittal to the Environmental Protection Agency per the requirements of the Brownfield Cleanup Grant for 200 Blue Star Highway. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Yes) Dixon, Sapita, La Bombard, Balmer. (No) none*

7. Reports

- A. EGLE Environmental Investigation - Representatives approached the city about investigating contamination associated with the former facility known as 200 Blue Star. The State's goal is to obtain quarterly groundwater and soil vapor data from various properties and locations within the right of ways of Ferry and Center Streets. EGLE has agreed to share the data results with the city to further its clean-up/remediation efforts at the site.
- B. City Website Information Postings  
A Brownfield Redevelopment Authority page has been started on the City website to keep residents informed.
- C. PHYTO Remediation  
La Bombard has spoke with a gentleman who knows of PHYTO remediation. He would like to invite this individual to speak to the members of Brownfield. Sapita asked if this is a process of bringing the contaminant to the surface to evaporate? Dixon is also aware of the process and knows another individual who does PHYTO remediation.

8. General Comments – Request by Chair

Dixon mentioned there may be a large input of money coming into the Brownfield program which would give opportunity to do the TCE. She would like someone to ask the State or County if they are thinking about being an applicant.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned by gavel of Chair Balmer at 1:25 pm

Certification of Minutes

I hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of the Village of Douglas held on June 9, 2022, I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

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Pamela Aalderink, City Clerk

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Date