



**REGULAR MEETING, JULY 18, 2016**  
**BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE DDA OFFICES**  
129 S. Kalamazoo Street, Paw Paw, 49079

**Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 5:35.

In attendance: Pat Lynch, Mary Lou Hartwell, Cindy Mount, , Mark Bahnson (by-proxy – text), John Schincariol , Steve Racette, Roman Plaszczak, Mary Springer (DDA Coordinator)

**MOTION:** To approve the May 16, 2016 meeting minutes was made **SUPPORTED** and the **MOTION CARRIED**

Grants and Loans:

**MOTION:** To approve the request by Ava Plaszczak – Game Plaze, 301 W. Michigan Ave. for \$1400.00 paint and renovations was made by Mary Hartwell **SUPPORTED** by Cindy Mount **MOTION CARRIED**

(Roman Plaszczak abstained)

**MOTION:** To approve the Request by Paw Paw Masonic Lodge – 234 E Michigan Ave for \$1500.00 for a new roof was made by Mary Hartwell **SUPPORTED** by Steve Racette **MOTION CARRIED**

Request by Kars Tattoos was denied. The DDA is no longer giving development grants at this time.

Ongoing Business:

The Berkshire going up quickly now. There was a slow down when they discovered an unidentified gas tank. The interest in available units makes it apparent that the building could have supported more than the proposed 42 units. The goal for the opening date is February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Auyumn House and Berkshire will be working together on the build with plans on Autumn House moving in. Working with a rent subsidy type of grant the attraction being that they don't have to lease and family members will drive folks into town. The Village has a line item in the electric fund for new business incentives. Autumn House would like to see if the DDA would partner with the Village Council for support. Roman would like to research both the Autumn House and whether we can legally give a 501-C3 a grant.

The Target Market Analysis is now complete. It is very detailed and long. DDA, Village Council, developers and real-estate will be invited to a 1 ½ explanation the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in August. Changes to ordinances and zoning would be needed to allow for the missing middle residential housing options.

There are monies accessible to recondition 210 E. Michigan Ave. they are 100% grant. We need to apply by the end of September and apply it before September of next year (2017).

**MOTION:** To adjourn was made by Mary Hartwell and **SUPPORTED** by Cindy mount. **MOTION CARRIED** Meeting adjourned at 6:25