



CITY OF HART

407 S. STATE ST.
HART, MI 49420

Hart Economic and Redevelopment Team (H.E.A.R.T.)

March 2, 2022

MINUTES DRAFT

1) Call to Order

Scott Beal called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

a) Roll Call

- **Members present:** Fred Rybarz, Scott Beal, Sue Payne, Maria Rosas, Tracey Lipps
- **Members absent:** Dean Hodges, Jake Tufts, Mark Platt

Others present: Nichole Kleiner, Rob Splane

2) Approval of Agenda - Motion by Rybarz, supported by Beal, to approve the February minutes. Motion carried.

3) Public Comments – None.

4) Approval of the Consent Agenda - Motion by Rybarz, supported by Payne to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

5) Board Member 1-minute updates – board members provided updates on what's happening in their business/industries.

6) Action Items

- Motion by Beal, supported by Payne, to authorize Economic Development Director to apply for \$7,500 Great Lakes People Fund Grant and Support with \$7,500 in Matching Funds from HEART and \$7,500 in matching funds from TIFA. Motion carried.
- Motion by Rybarz, supported by Beal, to authorize Economic Development Director to apply for RDBG (Rural Development Business Grant) for \$128,337 with a \$15,000 contribution from TIFA and \$15,000 from general fund for a Main Street Market Retail Incubator. Motion carried.
- Motion by Beal, supported by Rybarz, to authorize Economic Development Director to apply for MI Places REVITALIZATION AND PLACEMAKING (RAP) PROGRAM for up to \$2 million for an RRC Development Project. Motion carried.
- Motion by Beal, supported by Payne, to authorize Economic Development Director to apply for Consumers Energy \$25,000 Pitch Competition towards the purchase of an 18-ft tin man. Motion carried.
- Motion by Beal, supported by Rosas, to authorize Director to post RFP for Walkers Property. Motion carried.
- Motion by Rybarz, supported by Rosas, to authorize Economic Development Director to apply for two Match on Main \$25,000 Grants on behalf of Lakeside Fitness and Pixel Grafix Studio. Motion carried.

7) Updates/Discussion Items

- Nichole advised board the visitors from MSU will be coming to Hart at various times in May & June to conduct a First Impression Assessment as part of the FIT Grant awarded to HEART in 2022.

8) Executive Directors Report – none, ED reported time has been spent on writing above-mentioned grants.

9) Next Regular Meeting Wednesday, April 6, 2022 @ 2 PM

10) Board Member Comments – None

11) Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Lipps supported by Beal. Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Economic & Community Development Director