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# CITY OF JONESVILLE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AGENDA SEPTEMBER 9, 2014 - 7:30 A.M. CITY HALL

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 7, 2014
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 6. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Request for State Reimbursement of Small Taxpayer Personal Property Tax

[Information] [Information/Discussion]

- B. Project Updates
  - i. Rail Trail
  - ii. Heritage Lane
  - iii. Klein Tools Building
  - iv. North Parking Lot preventative maintenance
- C. Terrific Towns Promotion

[Discussion]

D. Historic Preservation/Economic Development Workshop

[Information]

- 7. OTHER BUSINESS
- 8. ADJOURNMENT Next Scheduled Meeting: November 11, 2014, 7:30 a.m.

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To: Jonesville DDA Board

From: Jeffrey M. Gray, City Manager

September 5, 2014 Date:

Manager Report and Recommendations – September 9, 2014 DDA Meeting Re:

## 6. A. Request for State Reimbursement of Small Taxpayer **Personal Property Tax**

[Information]

Finance Director Lenore Spahr has completed the required documents to request that the State provide reimbursement of the tax capture that was lost due to the "small taxpayer exemption." That exemption applies to taxpayers with personal property with a true cash value of \$80,000 or less. The State has committed to replacement of the funds that these personal property taxes would have generated for Downtown Development Authorities. We have requested reimbursement of \$9,608.11 for 2014. Please refer to the attached request for reimbursement.

#### **Project Updates** 6. B.

[Information/Discussion]

This item is reserved for to address status updates on a number of projects. Crack sealing and parking lot striping is expected to occur on Sunday, September 7th in the North Parking Lot, weather permitting. Notice of the work has been provided to the business owners on the north side of the street and to the tenants living in the buildings in the block. A copy of the notice is attached for reference.

## 6. C. Terrific Towns Promotion

[Discussion]

Ron Rademacher who represents the Michigan Back Roads website and the Terrific Towns promotion has asked to be on the agenda in November to discuss renewal of the DDA's participation in that website. The DDA paid \$750 in 2011 for a three-year promotion. I have requested some information about the promotion for you and I to consider in advance of Ron's attendance at the November meeting. I would like to have some feedback from you on any visits or impact that you have seen as a result of this promotion. Please refer to the Terrific Towns Program information and summer website statistics.

### [Information] Historic Preservation/Economic Development Workshop

The City is working with the Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce, who plans to put on a workshop to discuss the economic development benefits of historic preservation. We have made the Police Department Conference Room available on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The Workshop is tentatively scheduled from 8:30 am to 10:30 am. Representatives of the Michigan Historic Preservation Network and Michigan Economic Development Corporation have been invited to discuss and demystify the process of redeveloping historic buildings, including some of the State financial assistance that is available. More information will be provided once the Chamber has confirmed the event.