



**REGULAR MEETING, MAY 19, 2017**  
**BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE DDA OFFICES**  
129 S. Kalamazoo Street, Paw Paw, 49079

**Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members in attendance: Mary Lou Hartwell, Mark Bahnson, Pat Lynch, Steve Racette, Roman Plaszczak, Barbara Carpenter, Linda Tyria, Sid Shank, Sarah Moyer-Cale, Larry Nielsen, Mary Springer (DDA Coordinator)

Presentation was given by the Barton group. Amelia discussed available properties, target businesses and challenges and successes. Mary Lou Hartwell suggested setting up a time to meet to further discuss and re-examine target needs and update the Gaps analysis. Gary Barton suggested quarterly update reports be given. The Bartons are asking for a \$15 an hour increase bringing their hourly fee to \$80.00.

**MOTION:** To approve the April 17, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Patrick Lynch and **SUPPORTED** by Mark Bahnson, the **MOTION CARRIED**

There was discussion of the Barton Groups services and their request for an increase in fee.

**MOTION:** was made by Mark Bahnson to enter into a one year contract with the Barton Group increasing their hourly rate by \$15 an hour bringing their fee to \$80 hourly. Quarterly reports will be expected. it was **SUPPORTED** by Sid Shank, the **MOTION CARRIED**

Grant requests were discussed.

**MOTION:** was made by Patrick Lynch to approve a grant of \$1500.00 for 200 S. Kalamazoo St. for paint and restoration **SUPPORTED** by Steve Racette, the **MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION:** was made by Mark Bahnson to approve a grant of \$1500.00 for 143 E. Michigan Ave. for exterior door **SUPPORTED** by Steve Racette, the **MOTION CARRIED**

Sarah reported that the property at 210 E. Michigan Ave is still in the grant process. There was discussion of road and sewer work.

Mary gave the staff report and estimates on replacing the sign in front of the building. There was some discussion of the handicap entrance and elevator door.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:59pm**