

**Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2008 – 5:30 p.m.
Chamber Office
(no quorum)**

Board Members in Attendance:

John Schincariol	Sherry Taylor
Roman Plaszczyk	Steve Racette

Regular Attendees: Larry Nielsen

Meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

Ron Rademaker from Michigan Backroads addressed our subscription to Michigan back roads website, “terrific towns”. There are two towns per county and a minimum of 6 pages available for each. The site is being redesigned and will have a new look. Previously the pages were geared strictly for tourism with pages that included theatres & events. There will now be 10 pages available with new sections: “made in Michigan”, Small manufacturing, living here, (See pages online for Leslie, Ingham Co. & Metamora (sp?)) Pages would also include Things to do, Treasures, Theatre, Festivals, Michigan Arts & Crafts, History & legends. Pages would go up within three days. He would like to include the walking tour and real estate. He would need good quality JPEGs, at least 300 DPI. There is no limit to the amount of pictures.

John Small had asked about money being allocated for the Christmas decorations. He would like to get the wreaths ordered so that they will be available to be put up in November this year before Thanksgiving. It was decided that John should go ahead and order wreaths. We would like wreaths to stretch from the Bridge (north) to Ampey Rd. (south) and from Hazen St. (west) to Liberty St. (east).

The Carnegie quotes are in. Mary was off due to the death of her father so we are a couple weeks behind schedule and only have a few bids to work with at this time. Lakeside Painting (Mike boyer) sent in a bid of \$4080.00 and Custom Colors (Steve Tripp) came in with a bid of \$2670.00. Dave Richardson no longer cares to do large projects as he is semi-retired. These bids do not include paint.

It was decided that we would split the paint between Ace and the Do-It-Center.

Home Improvement Salvage is where we found carpet that we liked.

Carpet is scheduled to go in on March 10 – March 12. Cost \$4003.34 which includes carpet, pad and installation.

Larry reminded everyone that there is a meeting with 2 prospects for the Master Plan project at the township hall on February 20th at 7pm

There is also a meeting with the land developers for the Walgreen’s project on February 26th, at the Village Hall.

Mary Springer gave the committee report for the Chamber. The Chamber held elections for board members and the results were another term for Jim Whelan and terms for Marlys Boysen and Julie Pioch. Next month is the annual chamber board meeting on March 12.

There is also after Hours scheduled for Wednesday February 20th at Brewster's... Jan Hoehn also asked about the Drum and Bugle Corp... She wanted to know if they would be here for Paw Paw Days. She needs to know about advertising. Roman said that they would be here as far as he knows. He will find out more.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30.