

**City of Marine City  
Tax Increment Finance Authority  
Special Meeting  
October 26, 2015**

A Special meeting of T.I.F.A. was held in the City Manager's Office, 303 S. Water Street, Marine City, Michigan, on Monday, October 26, 2015, and was called to order at 4:30 PM by Chairperson May.

**Present:** Chairperson May; Board Members Babchek, Bryson, Lepley, Seigneurie, Tisdale, and Weisenbaugh; City Manager Leven; City Clerk Baxter

**Absent:** None

**Approve Agenda**

Motion by Board Member Tisdale, seconded by Board Member Seigneurie, to approve the Agenda, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Public Comment**

Gary Kohs, 430 S. Water Street, announced that he would like to pay for the labor costs associated with planting new trees on South Water Street.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

***Request for Financial Assistance ~ Tree Removal, Tree Replacement, and Sidewalk Repair for South Water Street***

Department of Public Works Superintendent, Michael Itrich, said that thirty-six trees needed to be removed and replaced on South Water Street; twelve of them immediately. According to Mr. Itrich, the trees are overgrown and, therefore, their roots are heaving the sidewalks. Mr. Itrich reported that two trip and fall reports had been reported to the City within the past month, which may have occurred due to the heaving of sidewalks.

A proposal was presented to the Board for the purchase and replacement of thirty-six trees, and the cost to replace sidewalks affected by the trees, at a total project cost of \$6,780.00.

Mr. Itrich suggested that the trees be replaced with Cleveland Pear trees which are very slow growing, disease resistant, and salt tolerant. In addition, due to the trees requiring very minimal maintenance, the City could save approximately \$4,000.00 a year in trimming fees.

Due to Mr. Gary Kohs' offer to pay labor costs for the project, no additional funds for labor were added.

Motion by Chairperson May, seconded by Board Member Seigneurie, to move original budgeted amount of \$4,000.00 for tree trimming, to tree replacement for South Water Street.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Chairperson May, seconded by Board Member Weisenbaugh, to amend the T.I.F.A. budget in the amount of \$2,780.00 for additional tree and sidewalk repairs for South Water Street. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Board Member Weisenbaugh, seconded by Board Member Tisdale, to approve the proposal for tree replacement and sidewalk repairs on South Water Street, not to exceed \$6,780.00, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **Financial Business**

None.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Board Member Babchek, seconded by Board Member Weisenbaugh, to adjourn at 5:01 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kristen Baxter*

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City Clerk

