

Village of Pentwater DDA-History/Projects

- I. Purpose- ...the correction and prevention of deterioration in the downtown district. The creation and implementation of development plans in the downtown district, and the promotion of economic growth there in.
- II. DDA Funding- The DDA is funded by a millage. Pentwater DDA is one of only two in the State of Michigan that is funded this way. The millage comes from the DDA District and is subject to Headlee Rollback. This year the millage is on the taxable value of \$15,493, 916 at the rate of 1.4734 mills. Which gives you a revenue of approx. 22,827.98. Millage began at 2, but has been chipped away by the Headlee roll back
- III. The Pentwater Village Council approved the first Downtown Development Authority on Sept 13, 1993. Chairperson-
 - a. 1993-1995 Jenny Cisler
 - b. 2000-2004 Tom Scott
 - c. 2004-13 Jim Durand
 - d. 2013-14 Mary Stiphany
 - e. 2014-15 Rand Gee
 - f. 2015-19 Claudia Ressel-Hodan
 - g. 2019-present Mary Schumaker
- IV. Current Board Members-Nominated by Village President, approved by Council
 - a. Jeff Hodges- Village President-2016
 - b. Chairperson-Mary Schumaker-2019
 - c. Vice-Cahir- Claudia Ressel-Hodan-2014
 - d. Treasurer-Nancy Arvai-2020
 - e. Buz Graettinger-2017
 - f. Chris Dunn-2014
 - g. Paul McDonald-2018
 - h. Jack Witt-1993-founding member of DDA
 - i. James Henley-2020
 - j. Michael Haack-2019
 - k. Brian Prescott-2021
- V. Past Projects-not listed in perfect chronological order
 - a. Hancock St Improvement '93 & '97
 - b. Public Restrooms on 2nd St.
 - c. Wayfinding signs downtown-Village Marina, Fish Cleaning Station, upper area Village Green
 - d. Dingy Dock and Fishing Pier
 - e. Banners
 - f. Planters Village Green, Water Tower Park
 - g. The Kabota
 - h. Shoppers Dock
 - i. Water Tower Benches
 - j. Bike Share
 - k. Christmas Decorations

- I. Bike Racks
- m. BR31 Signage to Library and Park Place (Park St, Clymer St.)
- n. Start of Summer Party
- o. Wi-Fi on Hancock St.-2017-expanded 2020
- p. DDA/School banners for graduates
- q. Community Hope Day
- r. Business owners and Property owners data base
- VI. Sponsorships
 - a. Winterfest Wine Tasting
 - b. Movies on the Green
 - c. Boat Parade
 - d. d. Chamber events
- VII. Recent Projects
 - a. Pentwater Picnics picnic tables
 - b. Art on the Table
- VIII. Current Projects
 - a. Communication w/ businesses owners
 - b. Christmas in the Village
 - c. New Year's Eve in the Village
 - d. Hancock Improvement-trees, trash cans, flowers
 - e. Downtown Plan
- IX. Current-Future Projects
 - a. Business Registry-
 - b. Christmas Decorations
 - c. Public Art