

DOWNTOWN PORTLAND MI

on the street

YOUR DOWNTOWN CONNECTION

SEPTEMBER 2022



Can you help us take this ^^^ and convert it to something creative to beautify and better represent our city?

We are incredibly grateful for the donation of this property, and clearly realize there's so much work to be done... on a VERY limited budget, as this wasn't part of our plan.

So, we've worked to come up with a temporary design until we can afford to implement real plans a few years down the road.

- Windows will be covered with photo's of what's behind the building, our lovely Two Rivers Park & Bandshell
 - The doors will become 'living' (next spring) with hanging planters
 - The Garage door will be painted with Erica Gorzen's design (sample below)
- YOU CAN BE A PART OF **DOWNTOWN CREATIVE** BY LENDING A HAND, OR YOUR TALENT, OR EXPERTISE! We're looking for:
- Window washers *paint scrapers *power washers * paint primers
 - **AND THEN... we'll be coordinating with the community of all ages to help us SPLATTER PAINT the garage door. This will be lead by Erica Gorzen who with her students will create the word design to complete the look.**
- WATCH FOR DATES AND TIMES! Facebook and MiPortland.org**

If you can help with the 'prep' items before the 'paint party' please contact me directly tinacw@portland-michigan.org 517-647-5027 **THANKS!!**



COMING UP
- FIND MORE EVENTS,
SHARE YOUR EVENTS....
CONFIRM DATES / TIMES
MIPORTLAND.ORG!

Thursday, September 15th
4:00 - 7:00PM
AT CANDLESTONE RESORT (BELDING)
FREE APPETIZERS & CASHBAR
GROW YOUR NETWORK
MEET & SUPPORT LOCAL ENTREPRENEURS

[rightplace.org/
events/mipitch](http://rightplace.org/events/mipitch)

MI Pitch

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Join us to learn about what's happened, what's in the works, and what's new for the Portland area. *While primarily to provide information, **we're looking forward to hearing from the DDA COMMUNITY of Businesses, Property Owners and Residents as we begin our planning process for 2023 & 2024.** We'll answer as many questions as possible. *This meeting is a bi-annual update of the DDA.

COLDWELL BANKER FREWEN REALTY FEATURED BUSINESS

SUBMITTED BY KURT FEDEWARE

Frewen Realty has been serving Portland since 1978, when it was started up by Janice Frewen. Terry Frewen purchased the business from his mother Janice in 2006.

Employing the services of six realtors in addition to himself, Terry and his staff handle all aspects of real estate, including commercial properties as well as residential ones.

"I grew up in the presence of my mother's management of this business," said Terry. So it was a natural move for me to become a realtor. It has been a good fit."

Terry said that his company has systems in place that provide sellers with maximum exposure of their property to buyers. This assures that sellers receive an optimal selling price for their property.

"The advantages of using the services of a realtor is that the seller generally obtains more money for his property versus selling it on his own," said Terry. "On average, the seller obtains nineteen percent more money by using our services."

Terry said that he and his agents are trained in negotiation procedures as well as in the art of contract writing. "These things help us get the seller the most money possible out of his home," said Terry.

But for Terry, the most satisfying aspect of his business is that of the service that he provides to buyers. "I enjoy helping people achieve the dream of home ownership," said Terry. "We help buyers through the entire process of their purchase. We walk them through the transaction, including the inspection and the mortgage process. It's a good feeling for me when people trust us to handle the process for them."

Terry said that his business extends beyond the Portland area. "We are licensed to handle transactions all over the state," he said. "Our business is not limited to Portland."

Terry credits his staff for the success of his business. "Our real estate agents have one to twenty-eight years of experience," said Terry. "All of our agents hold positions on committees of the Lansing Association of Realtors. We all get education in real estate practice on a continual basis in order to learn more about the business and to have as much knowledge about it as possible. All of this helps buyers and sellers experience a smooth transaction. Our ultimate goal is customer satisfaction and we do our utmost to assure that this happens."



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SEPTEMBER 2022

**SUMMER INFO SESSION
DOWNTOWN DIGEST
7PM MON. SEPT 26
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

DDA Board of Directors

Cory Grimminck *Chairperson*
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Mayor of Portland

Margery Briggs *Secretary*
Two Rivers Counseling Service

Tom Antaya *Tom's Food Center*

Tutt Gorman *Portland City Manager*

Becky Ward *Ward's Garage*

Dr. Jason Williamson
Portland Family Chiropractic

2nd SATURDAY in AUGUST

Enjoyed on Portland's Veterans Memorial Bridge



MI CRAFT

**BEER
WINE
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FOOD and LIVE MUSIC

BeerOnBridge.com

Beerfest on the Bridge was beyond damp & drizzly, it was a soaking wet SUCCESS! Our rainy return brought us over 500 guests with lots and lots of new faces from around the state. Every volunteer one of our volunteers showed up and served up the fun. Atomic Annie and Soundwave gave us great performances and the food was warm and comforting!

Many thanks our generous sponsors and volunteers! Save the Date 8/12/23