

Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Thursday, May 25, 2017

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 8:00 A.M. in the Women's club Room, 2nd Floor, Memorial building, Ironwood Michigan.

- 1. Call to Order: Community Development Director Tom Bergman called the meeting to order at 8:04 A.M.
- 2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Tom Williams, Chair		X	X	
Nancy Korpela, Vice		X		X
Annette Burchell	X			
Bruce Schwartz		Х		X
Peter Tacconelli	Х			
Yvonne Novascone	X			
Cameron Pitts	X			
Anna Lovelace	Х			
Nancy Zak	X			
	6	3	Quorum	

Also Present: Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson and Community Development Director, Tom Bergman.

3. Approval of the April 27, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Zak to accept the meeting minutes from the April 27, 2017 meeting. **Second** by Lovelace. **Motion carried 5 to 0**.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Lovelace to accept the Agenda. Second by Zak. Motion carried 6 to 0.

5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.

Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.

6. Financial Report: Director Bergman stated that the flower basket purchase will change the report for the next month.

Motion by Zak to accept the financial report. **Second** by Novascone. **Motion carried 6 to 0**.

- 7. Items for Discussion and Consideration:
 - a. Comprehensive Plan & Blueprint Plan Implementation Status of Priority Action Items:
 - I. Strategy 6.3(d) Continue Business Retention Program All Members
 - 1. Director Bergman discussed the new bakery and stated that it's moving forward. The Authority discussed some other buildings that are becoming occupied. Bergman discussed road reconstruction on Business US2 that will happen in the summer of 2017.
 - II. Strategy 6.3(g&h) Develop/Continue Business Incubator/entrepreneurial support spaces Korpela
 - 1. The Authority skipped the item because Korpela wasn't present.
 - III. Strategy 6.5(c), 6.7(b) & 6.6(c) First Friday Downtown Lovelace, Schwartz
 - 1. Director Bergman discussed some ideas and asked for volunteers for the event.

Motion by Lovelace to allocated \$200.00 for music for the event. **Second** by Zak. **Motion carried 6 to 0**.

- IV. Strategy 6.7(a) Establish an annual events calendar Burchell
 - 1. Director Bergman discussed a meeting that he had with the calendar committee. He stated that it is still in progress.
- V. BP Display/Encourage public art and other forms of beautification (Art Park) All Members
 - 1. Director Bergman asked for updates and Erickson gave an update on the Art Park.
- VI. Alley Way Improvement Plan All Members
 - 1. Director Bergman stated that nothing has happened yet.
- VII. Public WIFI (Blueprint Plan) Staff
 - 1. Director Bergman updated the Authority with a WIFI project through the Ironwood Carnegie Library that will serve WIFI to the entire City.
- 8. Other Business: Burchell discussed having something at the Art Park during Festival Ironwood.

9. Next Meeting: June 22, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment at 8:54 a.m is adjourned.

Motion by Lovelace to adjourn. Second by Burchell. Motion carried 6 to 0.

Tom Williams, Chair

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Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant