



**Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority
Thursday, September 28, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 8:00 A.M. in the Women's club Room, 2nd Floor, Memorial building, Ironwood Michigan.

1. Call to Order: Chairman Tom Williams called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.
2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Tom Williams, Chair	X			
Nancy Korpela, Vice	X			
Annette Burchell		X	X	
Eleanor Bolich	X			
Yvonne Novascone	X			
Cameron Pitts		X	X	
Anna Lovelace		X	X	
Nancy Zak	X			
	5	3	Quorum	

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

3. Approval of the August 24, 2017 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Korpela to accept the meeting minutes from the August 24, 2017 meeting.
Second by Zak. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion by Novascone to accept the Agenda. **Second** by Korpela. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**
5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.
6. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.

7. Items for Discussion and Consideration:

- a. Review and Discussion of Ironwood Theatre Funding Application: The Authority reviewed the application for funding request. Director Bergman presented the the application suggesting \$2,500 donation with a community match of another \$2,500.

Motion by Zak to donate \$2,500 with another \$2,500 to match community donations. **Second** by Korpela. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**

- b. 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 save the co-op fundraiser and stated that it was a success.
- II. Strategy 6.3(g&h) Develop/Continue Business Incubator/entrepreneurial support spaces – Korpela
 1. Korpela stated that she is jumping back into the project. The Authority discussed the possibility of a community commercial kitchen.
- III. Strategy 6.5(c), 6.7(b) & 6.6(c) First Friday Downtown – Lovelace, Bolich, Pitts
 1. Director Bergman talked about the next 1st Friday and discussed the theme and some of the events.
- IV. Strategy 6.7(a) Establish an annual events calendar – Burchell
 1. Director Bergman stated that website is done and the next step is to solicit people to populate the calendar with events.
- V. BP Display/Encourage public art and other forms of beautification (Art Park) – All Members
 1. Director Bergman talked about some new items in the Art Park. They also discussed some plans for the next first Friday in December.
- VI. Alley Way Improvement Plan – All Members
 1. Director Bergman discussed the need to pull weeds and grass in the alley as a temporary improvement. Bergman discussed the possibility of more food trucks in the downtown.

8. Other Business: None.

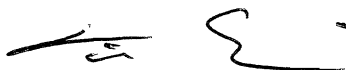
9. Next Meeting: October 26, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment at 9:10 a.m. is adjourned.

By Consensus.



Tom Williams, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant