



Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Thursday, March 22, 2018

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, March 22, 2018 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			
Eleanor Bolich	X			
Amy Nosal		X	X	
Yvonne Novascone	X			
Cameron Pitts		X	X	
Anna Lovelace	X			
Nancy Zak	X			
	5	4	Quorum	

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

3. Approval of the February 22, 2017 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Lovelace to accept the meeting minutes from the February 22, 2018 meeting. **Second** by Zak. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion by Zak to accept the Agenda. **Second** by Lovelace. **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. Discuss and consider the approval of the Financial Report: Director Bergman presented the financial report to the board.

Motion by Zak to accept the Financial Report. **Second** by Lovelace. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**

- b. Discuss and consider approval of the 2018/2019 budget: Director Bergman presented the budget.

- c. Discuss and consider approval of the flower basket donation letter: Director Bergman presented the letter.

Motion by Lovelace to accept the flower basket letter. **Second** by Zak. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**

- d. Discuss and consider approval of the summer maintenance contract with the Range Master Gardeners for the Downtown Ironwood Pocket Park: Erickson gave an update on the contract.

Motion by Zak to approve the contract based on the Range Master Gardeners acceptance. **Second** by Lovelace. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**

- e. Comprehensive Plan & Blueprint Plan Implementation Status of Priority Action Items:

- I. Strategy 6.3(d) Continue Business Retention Program.

- 1. Director Bergman discussed good news and Zak stated that Chelsi's Corner relocate in Book World. Zak talked about the positive help that Chelsi's has been given. Zak brought up the need for a business that needs to expand in the downtown. Zak stated that the alley way by the old Chelsi's Corner building will have some damage to it after the clean up.

- II. Strategy 6.3(g&h) Develop/Continue Business Incubator/entrepreneurial support spaces.

- 1. No update.

- III. Strategy 6.5(c), 6.7(b) & 6.6(c) First Friday Downtown.

- 1. Approval of the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs Mini-grant Contract for the Downtown Ironwood 1st Friday Music Series.

Motion by Zak to approve the contract for MCACA. **Second** by Lovelace. **Motion carried 5 to 0.**

2. Discuss April and May First Friday events: Bergman
 - a. Director Bergman asked for the DIDA to consider approval of the MCACA contract. Director Bergman asked if the DIDA would like to hold an event on the second Friday in May for the Red Bull 400 event. Director Meyers stated that the Ironwood Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the \$100 giveaway for the April 1st Friday.

IV. Downtown Redevelopment Sites.

1. Director Bergman stated that there is an offer to purchase on the Pamida building. Director Bergman stated that the MEDC is looking at a downtown redevelopment site.

V. Alley Way Improvement Plan.

1. No update.

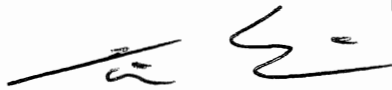
8. Other Business: None.

9. Next Meeting: April 26, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment at 9:04 a.m. is adjourned.



Tom Williams, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant