



**Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority
Thursday, April 22, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 8:00 A.M. via Zoom video conferencing software.

1. Call to Order: Chairperson Amy Nosal called the meeting to order at 8:07 A.M.
2. Recording of the Roll.

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Cathy Flory	X			
Nancy Korpela, Vice	X			
Annette Burchell		X	X	
Jake Ring		X		X
Amy Nosal	X			
Darrin Kimbler	X			
Ivan Hellen	X			
Anna Lovelace	X			
Bruce Greenhill	X			
	6	2	Quorum	

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

3. Approval of the March 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Korpela to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Flory. Motion carried 5 to 0 with Kimbler abstaining.
4. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion by Lovelace to approve the agenda. Second by Greenhill. Motion carried 6 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): Chamber Director Meyer discussed about a marketing partnership between Ironwood, Wakefield, and Lake Gogebic with Five Star Marketing.

7. Discuss and Consider the Monthly Budget Report: Director Bergman presented the Balance Sheet and Revenue and Expenditures Report.

Motion by Greenhill to receive and place on file the Financial Report. Second by Kimbler. Motion carried 6 to 0.

8. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

- A. Approval of the Flower Basket Donation Letter: Director Bergman presented the flower basket donation letter.

Motion by Korpela to approve and send the letter. Second by Nosal. Motion carried 6 to 0.

- B. Goal Update – (Short Term Goals (Downtown Historical Signage, Downtown Business COVID-19 Support Plan) Long Term Goals (TIF District, Water Trail Project)): Director Bergman stated that the DIDA will put a committee together to help move the project forward.

Director Bergman discussed a new grant for restaurant and restaurant type businesses. The Community Development office will be working directly with businesses to get them to apply. He discussed events that will be happening for the Summer of 2021.

Director Bergman discussed the RRC Certification and how that relates to the TIF District funding. He is starting to reach out to partners about what it will mean.

Director Bergman discussed the Water Trail Project and said that he is waiting for a grant to come through from the DNR. He discussed the timing of the project and the hope to start in 2022. The Miners Park Mountain bike trail was discussed and what the impact may be to the downtown.

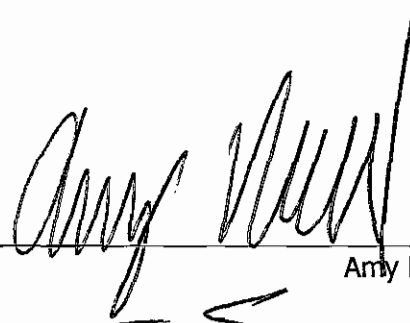
- C. Update on Marihuana Establishments Licensing: Director Bergman talked about the process and where the City of Ironwood is currently at with the site plan and conditional use process. The next steps is the licensing process where applicants will be chosen. The process will be wrapping up soon.
- D. Update on TIF District and Downtown Development and TIF Plan: Updated in item B in the goal updates.
- E. First Friday Update: Director Bergman discussed the May First Friday. Darrin discussed having community volunteers with the master gardeners for the May First Friday.
- F. Downtown Cleanup Day: Discussed in item B.

9. Other Business: The Authority discussed some new businesses opening and also the repairs to the Historic Ironwood Theatre marquee and programming activities moving forward. Greenhill discussed adding to the capital improvement plan for the front entrance of the theatre and the Men's bathroom.

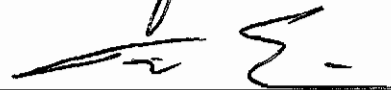
10. Next Meeting: Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

**Motion by Flory to adjourn, second by Kimbler, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried 6 to 0.**

11. Adjournment.



Amy Nosal, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant