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**Proceedings of the Economic Development Corporation Meeting  
 Wednesday, May 4, 2022**

A Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was held on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. in the Memorial Building Women’s Club Room.

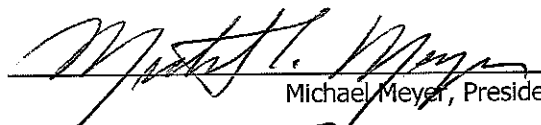
1. Director Bergman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Recording of the Roll

MEMBER	Present		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Thorsen, Gina		X	X	
Lemke, Joseph		X	X	
Korpela, Nancy	X			
Meyer, Michael	X			
Kim Corcoran	X			
Ruppe, Mark		X	X	
Schonberg, Bob	X			
Glen Ackerman-Behr	X			
Carolyn Libby		X	X	
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Quorum</b>	

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

3. Approval of the April 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes:  
**Motion** by Corcoran to accept the meeting minutes. **Second** by Korpela. **Motion Carried 5 to 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda.  
**Motion** by Korpela to approve the Agenda. **Second** by Corcoran. **Motion Carried 5 to 0.**
5. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding Items on the Agenda (Three-minute limit):  
 None.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): Lehto with Michigan Works discussed a job fair that will take place at Ironwood Memorial Building within the month.
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
  - A. Audience with Jeff Ratcliffe of KEDA: The Corporation introduced themselves. Ratcliffe presented before the Corporation. The Corporation asked about how KEDA is funded and then asked to provide details about what they are doing to address their housing issues. He discussed working with the Houghton County Land Bank to use the land bank as an economic development driver. They work to secure key historic properties in Calumet to get them out of the cycle of foreclosure.
  - B. 2022 Goals – Focus on Housing: The list provided will be continually included within the Agenda packet.
  - C. Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan: They had some round tables and a survey so far. There was varied attendance at each.
  - D. Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License Application Update: The City Commission will be discussing some changes to the marijuana ordinance.
  - E. Zoning Ordinance Update and timeline: Bergman is hoping to have the second public hearing in June and adoption in July. Korpela brought up the possibility to have separated townhouse infill development on narrow lots in town.
8. Other Business:
  - A. None.
9. Next Meeting: June 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
10. Adjournment. **Motion** by Korpela to adjourn at 10:58 a.m. **Second** by Corcoran. **Motion Carried 5 to 0.**

  
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Michael Meyer, President

  
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Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant