

Ishpeming Downtown Development Authority

Minutes

Monday, February 26, 2018

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Downtown Development Authority was held on Monday, February 26, 2018 in the Conference Room at City Hall. The meeting was called to order by David Aeh at 4:05 p.m.

Present: David Aeh, David Aro, Rosemarie Strom (arrived at 4:20 p.m.), Sandy Arsenault, Jay Clancey, Teresa Perry, and Justin Koski, Anne Giroux, and Mark Slown (9). Absent: Tracey Magnuson and Carrie Meyer (2). Also present was Jim Lampman, Finance Director and Linda Andriacchi.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Member Giroux, supported by Member Clancey and carried unanimously to reappoint the same slate of officers as last year: David Aeh, Chairman; David Aro, Vice Chairman; James Lampman, Treasurer; and Sandy Arsenault, Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENT -- There was none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Member Arsenault, supported by Member Perry and carried unanimously to approve the November 27, 2017 and the December 19, 2017 minutes as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Lampman reviewed the financial statements for the period ending January 31, 2018. After some brief discussion regarding some of the line items, a motion was made by Member Aeh, supported by Member Clancey and carried unanimously to accept the financial statements as presented.

LAKE BANCROFT PAVILION PROJECT UPDATE

Member Slown provided an update of the Lake Bancroft Area Development Committee meeting. He reported the Committee authorized GEI Consultants to move forward with the 90% design phase. The next meeting of the Lake Bancroft Area Development Committee was scheduled for March 29th at 1:00 p.m. for final review the plans.

REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES UPDATE

Member Slown advised staff was continuing to work on becoming Redevelopment Ready Community certified. He reported the amended zoning ordinance was nearing completion which was a requirement for becoming certified.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Linda Andriacchi reported she was getting ready for spring and the beautification effort and was working on letters to send to business for donations.

There was discussion on obtaining a truck for beautification and options that would be available.

A motion was made by Member Giroux, supported by Member Arsenault and carried unanimously to pursue borrowing a vehicle from a business and offering publicity to the business for donating the vehicle; pursue borrowing a vehicle from a dealership and offering publicity to the business for donating the vehicle; and the last option would be to purchase a vehicle.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT REGARDING ANDERSON BUILDING

Member Giroux spoke on behalf of the County Brownfield Authority and summarized the contents of the proposed plan and explained on how the process worked.

Pat Moyle, owner of the Anderson Building, thanked the DDA for working with the Brownfield Authority and praised the efforts in trying to obtain the Historical District Designation for the City.

A motion was made by Member Aro, supported by Member Arsenault and carried unanimously to approve the Inter-Local Agreement contingent upon review by Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

It was the consensus of the DDA to file the Chamber of Commerce reports.

2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

It was the consensus of the DDA to approve the meeting schedule as presented.

ISHPEMING BUSINESS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Member Aeh reported the Ishpeming Business Association was working on the short form to become a 501(c)3 organization. He also provided on update on their discussion regarding the 4th of July festivities.

OLD BUSINESS – There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Slown thank everyone for participating in the reception for Jessica Flores.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:14 p.m., a motion was made by Member Arsenault supported by Member Slown and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith
Recording Secretary