

**Ishpeming Downtown Development Authority
Minutes
Monday, January 28, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Downtown Development Authority was held on Monday, January 28, 2019 in the Conference Room at City Hall. The meeting was called to order by David Aeh at 4:05 p.m.

Present: David Aeh, Tracey Magnuson, Dave Aro, John Carlson, Sandy Arsenault, Teresa Perry, Karl Lehmann, and Mark Slown (8). Absent: Jay Clancey, Carrie Meyer, and Anne Giroux (3). Also present was Jim Lampman, Finance Director, Linda Andriacchi, Beautification Committee, Bob Hendrickson, Chamber of Commerce, and Mark Pynnonen, Signs Now.

A motion was made by Member Perry, supported by Member Arsenault and carried unanimously to appoint the same officers as last year for 2019: 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 Perry, supported by Member Carlson and carried unanimously to approve the November 26, 2018 minutes as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director Jim Lampman reviewed the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2018. A motion was made by Member Aro, supported by Member Arsenault and carried unanimously to accept the financial statements as presented.

CONFIRM PAYMENT TO GREATER ISHPEMING NEGAUNEE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Finance Director Lampman explained the budget for 2019 had \$1,500 in contributions and \$500 for membership to the Greater Ishpeming Negaunee Chamber of Commerce; however, the invoice was for \$2,000 for annual membership dues. Discussion followed regarding recognition for the \$1,500 donation to the GINCC.

A motion was made by Member Lehmann, supported by Member Arsenault and carried unanimously to authorize payment of the invoice for dues/donation to the GINCC in the amount not to exceed \$2,000.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Linda Andriacchi advised she was ahead of schedule for beautification for 2019 and was looking forward to this summer. She has been making plans for the round-about plantings and beautification around the new Welcome to Ishpeming signage. Beautification was a year round effort. She also thanked Iron Range and all the others that have donated towards beautification.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Bob Hendrickson, new Chamber Director, reviewed the Chamber report.

DOWNTOWN SIGNAGE

Mark Pynnonen, Signs Now, explained the difference between the two sign designs: one sign had three drop downs for the arrows and the other sign was one solid piece. There was discussion on the need for arrows and if a "municipal" arrow was needed. It was not felt that arrows were needed on the Lakeshore sign.

A motion was made by Member Carlson, supported by Member Aro and carried unanimously to add to the bottom of the Third Street sign, arrows for "School" and "Downtown" not to exceed \$450 in additional cost.

UPDATE ON LAKE BANCROFT PAVILION PROJECT

Member Slown advised the bids would be open on Tuesday, January 29th and the Lake Bancroft Area Development Committee would be holding a meeting to discuss the bids on Thursday, January 31, 2019 with a recommendation to Council for the February meeting.

NATIONAL MAIN STREET CENTER MEMBERSHIP

This was basically an information item. No action was taken.

2019 MEETING SCHEDULE

A motion was made by Member Arsenault, supported by Member Magnuson and carried unanimously to adopt the 2019 meeting schedule as presented.

ISHPEMING COMMUNITY EVENTS REPORT

Member Magnuson thanked the DDA for their contribution towards Santa and Mrs. Clause for the Christmas events. There were many children that visited Santa. They were continuing to work on the Gus Macker Tournament to be held in June and discussions were still taking place on the location. They would very much like the location to be Hematite Drive.

OLD BUSINESS

Member Slown provided an update on the Nardi Building; and, provided an update on the Jasperlite Project and advised there were some changes to the design but construction should begin in the spring.

Member Aeh was excited to announce that the article regarding the restorations to his home was published in Old House Journal and he provided a copy to Member Slown for City Hall.

NEW BUSINESS- There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:25 p.m., a motion was made by Member Lehmann, supported by Member Aro and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith
Recording Secretary