

**Ishpeming Downtown Development Authority
Minutes
Monday, March 25, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Downtown Development Authority was held on Monday, March 25 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, Jay Clancey, Karl Lehmann, and Mark Slown (8). Absent: Carrie Meyer, Teresa Perry, and Anne Giroux (3). Also present was Bob Hendrickson, Chamber of Commerce.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Member Arsenault, supported by Member Magnuson and carried unanimously to approve the January 28, 2019 minutes as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director Jim Lampman was not able to attend the meeting. A motion was made by Member Aro, supported by Member Magnuson to accept the monthly budget report as presented.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Linda Andriacchi and David Aeh advised they would be attending the Beautification Brunch.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Bob Hendrickson, new Chamber Director, reviewed the Chamber report. There was discussion related to Malton Road and the history of how and why Malton Road was developed. Also talked about was potential uses for the area.

UPDATE ON LAKE BANCROFT PAVILION PROJECT

Member Slown reported the bid award was made to GE Builders of Negaunee. He also noted the Iron Ore Heritage Trail Authority has donated \$25,000 toward the project; St. John's Parish has offered to donate time towards beautification of the area; and Councilmember Skauge would be preparing a grant through the Ishpeming Rotary to Eagle Mine for picnic tables.

MICHIGAN HISTORIC PRESERVATION NETWORK ANNUAL STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

There was no interest from members to attend.

DISCUSSION OF PA 57 OF 2018, REQUIRING THE DDA TO HOLD INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

It was the consensus of the DDA to hold an information meeting on May 20th at 3:30 p.m. prior to the regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. and also on November 25th at 3:30 p.m. as required by PA 57 of 2018.

ISHPEMING COMMUNITY EVENTS REPORT

Member Magnuson advised they were working the Gus Macker for the event in June and she thanked Council for allowing them to use Hematite Drive; and advised the Festival of Treasures would be held on July 3rd.

OLD BUSINESS

Member Aeh expressed his concerns with the snow removal in the parking lots in the downtown.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Aeh thanked Mark Slown for all his efforts as City Manager and the beautification efforts in Ishpeming. He maintained a garden and was very committed bringing back the downtown.

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