

**CITY OF IRON RIVER
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 18, 2024
12:15 P.M.**

Chairperson Kelly Dvorak called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Roll Call: Rick Kinsey, Jeanine Garcia, Terry Tarsi, Ed Lindwall, Greg Scott and Dvorak.

Absent: Dennis Powell and Mark Saigh.

Also Present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Kelly Stolberg.

Public in Attendance – Craig Richardson of WICKWIRE and Ryan Morgan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Garcia moved with support from Kinsey to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent – Powell and Saigh.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Scott moved with support from Kinsey to approve the January 16 and February 20, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent – Powell and Saigh.

REPORTS

City Manager

Andreski gave an update on the various things happening in the City such as the MDOT Bridge Grant is due April 1, 2024, City Hall Cost Analysis Report from WICKWIRE will be presented to City Council, the “green” house on US-2 has been demolished, KFC is returning, the Sweet Fire Tobacco Shop is opening soon on Genesee Street, the new Krist Oil headquarters tax request will be considered after a Public Hearing, Auto Value Corporate purchased the vacant lot next door for a parking lot and the former Newby building sold to Team Kleen.

Façade Committee

No update.

Scott said he would like to see if an increase of monies would attract more business owners to update their store fronts.

Beautification Committee

Kinsey stated they have set a date for the spring clean-up, will be ordering hanging baskets soon and are planning on putting in new wood chips in the berms, along with supporting Martha Rypstra in the Pocket Park.

Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance (ICECA)

No update.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Kinsey moved with support from Scott to approve the February 2024 Financial Reports and Accounts Payable, Motion carried. Roll Call: Ayes – 6 Nays – 0. Absent - 2: Powell and Saigh.

OLD BUSINESS

Disc Golf Course Parking Lot

Andreski provided bid results from the March 7 bid opening. The Parks and Recreation Committee has committed to paying 50%. Kinsey moved with support from Scott to pay the remaining 50%. Roll call: Ayes – 6 Kinsey, Garcia, Tarsi, Lindwall, Scott and Dvorak. Nays – 0. Absent: 2 - Powell and Saigh. Motion carried.

Parking Lot Improvements Project

Richardson from WICKWIRE handed out a cost estimate of parking lots, electricity, and lot stripping. His presentation explained how the process would work. Andreski updated on how the financing works. After in depth discussion Tarsi moved and supported by Kinsey to move forward on getting bids. Roll Call: Ayes – 6: Kinsey, Garcia, Tarsi, Lindwall, Scott and Dvorak. Ayes – 6. Nays – 0. Absent: 2 - Powell and Saigh. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

DDA MEMBER COMMENTS

Scott stated that the flag on City Hall is tattered and asked for a new flag to be hung. Andreski to have DPW replace it.

ADJOURNMENT

Tarsi moved with support from Garcia to adjourn the meeting at 1:14 p.m. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent – Powell and Saigh.



Kelly Stolberg, City Clerk