

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**April 15, 2024**

**12:15 P.M.**

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

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

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Rachel Andreski

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Andreski requested an addition to New Business c) Iron County Classic Farm Machinery Club Sponsorship. Tarsi moved with support from Powell to approve the agenda with the addition. All in favor; Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Kinsey moved with support from Powell to approve the March 18, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent – None.

**REPORTS**

**City Manager**

- Andreski gave an update on the various things happening in the City.
- Construction projects totaling just under \$1M are projected with updating streets. WICKWIRE will help with assessing and planning some alley projects free of charge.
- There will be a Fight the Blight day with all the police officers and R.Andreski on April 27<sup>th</sup>. They will be going street by street to contact residents or businesses and will leave fliers on their door regarding their blight if they aren't home.
- There is a Spring Cleanup scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup> for city residents at the DPW garage to bring items.
- KFC is moving along, and the owner is very excited to get up and operational.
- The Green house across from McDonald's is gone.

**Façade Committee**

Laughing Loon was provided an application to update their building.

### **Beautification Committee**

Kinsey stated they have set a date for the spring clean-up for May 10<sup>th</sup>. They will be ordering hanging baskets soon.

Andreski stated she received a quote for hanging baskets totaling \$1,770, and the baskets will have a pulp insert to help retain moisture. Last year it cost approximately \$3,000 to water hanging baskets along with watering the pocket park. Currently the Beautification Committee total budget is \$5,000 and there is already \$4,200 spoken for. Kinsey asked that the budget be increased by \$3,000. Lindwall moved with support from Scott to increase the Beautification Committee budget by \$3,000. Motion carried. Roll call: Ayes 8: Garcia, Scott, Kinsey, Powell, Tarsi, Saigh Lindwall and Dvorak. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

### **Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance (ICECA)**

The visitor guide is out in circulation.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Kinsey moved with support from Powell to approve the March 2024 Financial Reports. and Accounts Payable Report. Roll Call: Ayes – 8: Garcia, Powell, Scott, Tarsi, Saigh, Lindwall, Kinsey and Dvorak. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Parking Lot Improvements Project**

Andreski stated WICKWIRE were out looking at pavement thickness and gravel levels today and that the lot behind Main Street was good.

Andreski and Treasurer Amanda Tukesbrey sat down and went over financials. The DDA will probably have to obtain a General Obligation Bond as we don't have any collateral for a loan. A call will be placed to Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **UP Championship Rodeo Sponsorship**

No one present to represent the Rodeo. Andreski requested their financials and were provided in the packet. Saigh moved with support from Tarsi to approve a \$2,500 sponsorship. Roll Call: Ayes – 8 Nays: Garcia, Powell, Scott, Lindwall, Kinsey, Scott, Saigh and Dvorak. Motion carried.

#### **Façade Grant Program**

Andreski explained the grant program and Scott suggested the amount be increased. Tarsi suggested increasing it to \$3,000, but not to exceed \$5,000. Saigh moved with support from Kinsey to increase the Façade Grant to \$3,500. Roll Call: Ayes – 8: Garcia, Kinsey, Powell, Lindwall, Tarsi, Scott, Saigh and Dvorak. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

**Iron County Farm Machinery Sponsorship**

Andreski stated she was contacted by Fred and Linda Houser. They will be doing the Father's Day car show and cruise on Genesee Street. They want to hang a banner and put ads on the radio. Saigh moved with support from Garcia to approve \$1,500 to the IC Classic Farm Machinery Club. Roll Call: Ayes – 8: Kinsey, Garcia, Powell, Lindwall, Scott, Tarsi, Saigh and Dvorak. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

**DDA MEMBER COMMENTS**

Saigh asked about the Disc Golf Course Project and Andreski updated him.

Tarsi asked about redoing the shoulders behind Super One and Andreski reported that the grader is down now.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Garcia moved with support from Tarsi to adjourn the meeting at 1:15 p.m. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent – None.

  
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Transcribed by Kelly Stolberg, City Clerk