

May 26, 1994

DOWNTOWN IRONWOOD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

A regular meeting (followed by the Ironwood Chamber of Commerce "Round Table Discussion" on Downtown safety concerns) of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority was held on the above date, 12:00 Noon, Towne House Motor Inn, Ironwood, Michigan.

1. Call to Order.

Vice Chairman Newman called the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M.

2. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Isakson, Kinnunen, Bergquist, Butler, Lorenson, and Vice Chairman Newman. Murphy arrived at 12:05 P.M.

EXCUSED: Johnson.

ABSENT: Forslund.

OTHERS

PRESENT: DIDA Staff Support William Andresen and Gary Lamberg.

3. Consider approval of the April 28, 1994 meeting Minutes.

Motion by Bergquist, supported by Kinnunen. CARRIED. To receive and place on file the April 28, 1994, minutes as presented.

4. Update on signage/billboards for promoting the Downtown.

Mr. Andresen noted that he took advantage of the "Round Table Discussion" notice to advertise interest in billboard signage. He informed the members that 4 -6 businesses are interested in the idea. He has asked Alf Craft Signs to come up with cost and design for same. The problem is finding a billboard.

Gary Lamberg reviewed some pros and cons of billboard advertising. He agreed to help Mr. Andresen on this project. An update will be given at the next regular meeting of the DIDA.

5. Other Business.

An update on the Clean-up day was requested. Mr. Andresen noted that it was very successful. Approximately 20-30 people were involved.


The downtown blight situation was again discussed. Code Enforcement Officer Joe Rigoni is the contact person for such complaints.

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The parking lot on the site of the former S&L Building was discussed. The DIDA would like to know who owns the lot, will it be blacktopped, is it being leased to the furniture store, etc. The DIDA might be interested in leasing a strip of the lot to do some creative planting/green strip. A status report on the parking lot was requested by the next regular meeting.

8. Adjournment.

Being no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Newman adjourned the meeting for the "Round Table Discussion" at 12:15 P.M.



JANE ZIEMANN, SECRETARY