

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
PUBLIC HEARING – BROWNFIELD AUTHORITY  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2006  
1:30 P.M.**

The meeting was Called To Order at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Room in the Iron River City Hall, with Mayor Charlotte Soderbloom.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present included Councilmen Roger Zanon, Ed Marcell, Ray Coates, Mayor Charlotte Soderbloom, City Manager John Archocosky, City Attorney Mark Tousignant and City Clerk Peggy Shamion. Absent: Tom Beber.

Robert Rafferty, Ben Smith and Lisa Coombs of Tri-Media also attended the meeting.

The Public Hearing was open for comment.

Lisa Coombs-Gerou of Tri-Media explained that monies from a Brownfield Authority could develop real or perceived contaminated property within the city.

The City Council will appoint a Chair and 5 – 9 members from the community (living within the Brownfield District) along with a representative from the Council or the City Manager. Their terms will be staggered 1, 2, 3, 4year, etc.

There job will be to meet and establish by-laws, which the City Council will approve. This Authority will also look at different projects, grant funding and can set up a revolving loan fund. They will be eligible to borrow money from the state for up to 15 years at a 2% interest and no pay backs will take place until after 5 years.

Ms. Coombs-Gerou stated that you have to own property within the Brownfield Authority District to be on the board.

The DDA supersedes the Brownfield Authority. However they could give up first claim to the taxable proceeds of the property for a period of time to the Brownfield Authority to allow the property to get cleaned up.

Ms. Coombs-Gerou explained that the Authority would approve their own budget, unlike the DDA. She said there is more funding available for Brownfield Authorities than the DDA.

There was no public comment.

Coates moved with Marcell supporting to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m. All were in favor. Motion carried.

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Peggy Shamion, CMC  
City Clerk