

# DUTCHTOWN COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES DATE: September 24, 2024

## Attendance:

Directors Present: Caya Aufiero, Mel Brockley, Michael Powers (via Teams Meet), Fadumo Hassan (via Teams Meet) Directors Excused: Ann Smart Directors Absent: Dwayne Nelson Guests: Shane Cohn (At the very beginning) danielle

Call to Order: Caya called the meeting to order at 5:35 and determined a quorum was present

## Approval of previous board minutes:

Michael moved to approve previous board minutes august and was seconded by Mel. Motion unanimously carried.

## Secretary's Report:

- 1. Insurance policy needs to be paid
- 2. Issued letter of support for Javad Ahmadi approved at previous board meeting

#### Treasurer's Report: Caya Aufiero

- 1. Financial Statements Treasurer's Report, Balance Sheet, Bank Statement
  - a. Net Operating expenses: \$9696.92
    - i. Paid deposit for landscaping at Virginia triangle 4697.50, 2500 for flock camera
  - b. Total Assets: \$221897.44
  - c. Bank balance of \$176195.64
- 2. Ann and Laura Dalpiez recategorized the budget to align with our 3 pillars
- 3. Mel moved to approved the treasurer's report, seconded by Fadumo. Motion carried.

#### **New Business:**

1. New board members to ratify. Danielle Fox approved by board of Alderman. And Legina Taylor to be Advisory Board member.

a. Fadumo moved to ratify Danielle and Legina to board positions aforementioned. Motion carries.

2. Danielle volunteered for treasurer and has experience from other board and business. Will work with the bookkeepers.



a. Michael moved to appoint Danielle as treasurer. Fadumo seconded. Motion carried.

3. Annual Organization report to state auditor will be due 10/31

4. Michael did not have a chance to discuss improvements to south grand with Ghodar Soufi
5. Michael says big issue on grand is underreporting of needed city maintenance. Has idea to contract someone to physically audit service requests needed, report them and have us follow up on. Michael knows someone who can help us who has been trained to eye what the city can do. She would give us the service request numbers. Proposes to reallocate pole maintenance budget to do this work. Call her for 40 hours in the fall and then again in the spring.
Caya mentioned we have money in the assistant budget and it could overlap with assistant duties for the crime reporting person.

Michael will follow up with person to get a proposal written up. He will write a statement of work and we can put that out publicly.

6. Night at the races to support the first district police department . CID sponsors with 8 tickets.
October 12<sup>th</sup> At immaculate heart of Mary. Anyone who would like a ticket contact Caya.
7. Winter Wonderland Gala- looking for committee volunteers- fundraiser for NIC Stl, annual

event.

8.Onboarding refresher should happen in October for new members on a Sunday. Caya suggested the 20<sup>th</sup> and Danielle can go. Everyone is invited.

#### **Old Business:**

- 1. Urban Eats Food Day Festival happened with Channel 5 media coverage for DTCID
- 2. Grants. Reminder to communicate with grantees
  - a. Mel is receiving updates from mark swain and the Virginia triangle is almost complete with the retaining wall rebuilt and ready for planting when weather allows.
  - b. Mel Cannot get in touch with Nate Lucena regarding the facade grants. Mel is directed to look at main street website and Caya will give her his number.
  - c. Caya talked to Robert Fishbone muralist about greenfield mural and said it would be really expensive to get a mural on the wall. He can be hired to determine what murals should be here.

Mel wants to know what is the state of the grant. Michael is comfortable to reallocate funds for this mural this year. Michael proposes to put destination metal place making



signs at \$980 each installed with 15 year warranty. Michael has contact info for the company making these signs and the design teams.

d. Michael moved that the greenfield mural money get redirected to a place making project district wide. Danielle second. Motion carries.

# Announcements:

- 1. After Hours next second Thursday October 10 at the haunt
- 2. DTCID Safer Dutchtown coffee hours at nic on second Saturday oct 12
- 3. Tower grove pride this weekend

# Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM, Next meeting is October 22nd, 2024 (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month)

Minutes submitted by Mel Brockley