

Friends of SW 9th Minutes

November 2025 General Board Minutes

Place: Christ the King Church in the Library

Date and Time: November 13th, 2025, at 5:30PM

Members present: Carol George, Chris Tursi, Gennaro Liqouri, Michele Puisner, Tracy Mumma, Scott Durham, Alec Kenndy

1) Financials:

A) Financials up for review.

2) Facade Improvement Program for 2025

1) Board needs need to give a Facade extension or deny C&E Rentals address is 4601 -4605 SW 9th St. Request is over \$60,000.00 for new parking, painting and landscaping. They are a multi-tenant building so our max. is \$30,000.00.

Board approves

2) Email from Todd Burken below to approve or deny Facade Improvement.

My name is Todd Burke, and I am a business owner that is working on the redevelopment of the former McDonald's building at 2923 SW 9th Street. The building is currently vacant, and I've negotiated a lease starting July 1, 2025 for at least 2 years with the agreement being finalized.

I completed a pre application meeting for the site, and was provided information about the SW 9th Matching Grant Program for Exterior Improvements. I'm planning to open a self-service laundromat and am working through the design process and ultimately will be working through the permitting and site plan approval process. While a large percentage of the improvements will be made for the building to suit a laundromat, I am also currently planning a number of improvements to the exterior, such as:

Replacement of broken storefront windows

Restoration of exterior lighting using existing pads/conduit

New business signage

Parking lot restriping and ADA stall markings

Adding steel gates to the existing trash enclosure

Installing bike racks

General landscaping cleanup

Removal of one of the former drive-through bays for mechanical use

Hi Bill,

As a follow up on this message, I am at the point now where I expect the site plan and building plan for the property to be approved by the middle of this week. Based on updated review of the requirements, I noticed that it states that the project construction has to be done by 11/30/2025. Is that correct, and if so, it is expected that there will be another program upcoming that would be similar and have a longer project timeline

Board does not approve since work can not be done by 11.30.25 They will need to reapply in 2026

3) All invoices paid

5) Vote for new President

Chris and Michele Puisner nominated at October Board Meeting as Co-Presidents

Gennaro 1st, Scot 2nd and all approved Chris and Michele Puisner as co presidents for 2026

6) Frienda Insurance Audit

Completed 11.11.25

7) Friends IRS Audit

Bill Hansen and Matt Pick working with Accountants.

8) City Budget sent to City of DSM