

Friends General Board Meeting January 2022 Minutes

Date: Thursday 10.13.22 meeting

Time: 5:30 PM

Place: Zoom Meeting

Present: Tracy Mumma, Chris Tursi, Gennaro Ligouri, Carol George, Scott Durham, Phil Barber, Evan Shaw, James Spiller

Minutes Approved by Gennaro 1st, Phil 2nd, everyone approved.

1) Facade Improvement Program 2021 (Chris Tursi to report)
PLEASE SEE PDF ATTACHED OF ALL EXPENSES TO DATE 1.5.22

2) Treasurer Report (Matt Pick to report)

A) Audit (Done) to be approved by City of DSM (PDF OF AUDIT IN THE ATTACHMENTS)

B) All bills paid, insurance and Bell Plaza expenses and Facade to date.

C) Financials (ARE IN THE ATTACHMENTS)

D) Request for Executive Director raise for 2022

D) Board approved raise for Executive Director to \$27,500 per year by email. sent out by Chris Tursi.

3) Polk County Supervisors Grant Request (Chris Tursi to report)

NEW APPLICATION REQUEST SENT FROM Polk County Supervisors DUE FEB. 28.2022

Chris and Bill will send new request

4) Bell Plaza

1) Lights -Bill to report on pricing

2) Signage - To be determined later

3) Sculpture, Phil, Evan, Chris, and Bill to work on.

4) Chuck Mettler Plaque. Tracy, Phil, and Bill meet and working on design for approval.

(Tracy to report) COSTS, MATERIALS, AND LOCATION FOR APPROVAL FROM BOARD

Tracy to show samples and Bill will do 2 layouts of design. Tracy is going to finalize cost.

5) Evan Shaw is working on McKinley and SW 9th node. (Evan to Report)

Evan contacted City Staff and Public Art.

Phil to contact property owners from a letter from Chris Tursi

1) Phil talked to Greenstate Credit Union. Out of state and will follow up.

2) Old slot car building owner contacted and approved and need signed contract.

3) Dental Building contacted with no response.

4) Nepal building. Phil has no contact and Chris is going to work on it.

6) Have a Public meeting inviting all business, churches and home owners and get feedback on improvements and things going on.

No, due to omicron virus coming back strong.

7) New Facade program from City of DSM

The application and more information about the program can be found at

https://www.dsm.city/departments/development_services/economic_development/neighborhood_commercial_revitalization_program.php.

Bill sent to Annie for Face book

Bill sent to Travis for Friends website

8) Vote to continue Friends of SW 9th Facade program in 2022 Voted yes for 2022 program. Everyone approved.

Bill to contact city for changes and update program for 2022

Carol asked if Livingstons brother can do the work. Will vote at next meeting.

9) Voted yes to advertise in American Legion program for \$25.00 per year