

Board Members Present	Excused	Staff	Guest
Brad Merrifield Brenda Giannis	Alex Petry	Dan Swiger	Cody Offen
Laura Candell Aaron Yanuzo	Lewis Boyce	Shelby Dillon	
Nancy Seccuro Joel Dugan	Kara Thomas		
Allen Staggers Sharon Swearingen			
Donna Blood James Kane			
Tina Shaw			

I. Meeting called to order

- Brad Merrifield called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM, Tuesday, September 27 at Gatherings.

II. Review of Board of Directors May 24 meeting minutes

- The July 2022 minutes were reviewed. Tina Shaw moved to approve the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Allen Staggers. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

III. Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer's report was reviewed by all board members. Laura Candell moved the report to be approved as written. Brenda Giannis seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved by a unanimous vote of the board. Copy of the report attached hereto.

IV. Executive Director's Report

- On-going Projects
 - Facade Grant Program
 - An executive director's meeting was held to review and approve facade grant applications. James Kane submitted his vote electronically. The unanimous decision was made to approve all six applications that were submitted. \$5,000 will be awarded to the recipients on the basis that they submit all receipts and proof of completion by September 2023. Recipients are as follows:
 - Evan Chapman - Loving WV
 - Adam Roholy - Orange Goat LLC
 - Jeff Merrifield - East Side Story
 - Hannah Lenhart - Hannah's Clay Creations
 - Amy Graham - Inspired Vision LLC
 - Shannon Onderko - Springston Real Estate
 - Listing of the Citizen's Building
 - Alex Miller Law reviewed all the loan documents and concluded that there was no individual liability on any board or staff member if the sale of the Citizens building did not garner adequate funds to cover all the mortgages.
 - Loving WV Mural

- A final rendition of the proposed mural has been made and we are awaiting a response from The Penny Pincher on if they will allow the mural to be placed on their wall. Once that is finalized, prices will be estimated for the remainder of the project.
- Outreach
 - WBOY and WDTV have been covering Main Street events over the past months including the Tomato Festival, August Annual Meeting, National Night Out, Facade Grants, and the September Hometown Market
 - Dan Swiger has attended the FMC Ribbon Cutting for the Lobby as well as the FMC Ribbon Cutting for the Sleep Center.

V. Program Manager's Report

- Hometown Market Wrap-up
 - Shelby Dillon gave a summarized report of all five Hometown Markets throughout the summer. The report is attached hereto.
- Coloring Contest
 - Shelby Dillon has been working with the Board of Education to organize a coloring contest for all the fourth-grade students in the entire county. Three finalists will be chosen and given a \$100 Savings Bond each. The finalists' coloring pages will be posted on social media. The page with the most "likes" will be announced as the winner at the Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to kick off the Hometown Holiday Celebration Weekend on December 8, 2022. The winner will get to light the Christmas Tree.
 - Volunteers will be needed to assist in the judges of the coloring pages.

V. Old Business

- Documentation of actions by the Executive Committee or electronic vote of the board taken between regular meetings.
 - Citizen's building - After the Executive Committee met with a mortgage holder on August 3, The entire board was polled by email and to entertain a motion to grant permission to the Executive Director to list the Citizens Building for sale. 12 board members replied affirmatively, no negative replies were received. The motion to list the building carried.
 - Facade Grant Program - The Executive Committee voted unanimously to extend the deadline for the facade grant program by 30 days to allow for completion of the application by downtown businesses. This round of the Facade Grant program closed Sep 15, 2022

VI. New Business

- Nominating Committee
 - A Nominating committee was chosen. Per the Bylaws, they must present a slate of officer candidates by the November Board meeting. The committee is as follows:
 - Tina Shaw

- Brenda Giannis
- Aaron Yanuzo
- Holiday Decorations
 - During the last City Fairmont Partnership meeting, it was discussed the city would like to order a commercial-grade artificial Christmas tree. The total cost would be approximately \$17,000. Dan Swiger proposed that Main Street Fairmont front the cost of \$10,000 to assist in the purchase of this to be used in the Green Space with the agreement that the city is responsible for installation, tear down, storage, and upkeep of the tree. After discussions, James Kane made the motion for \$10,000 to be allocated for the purchase of this Christmas tree. Donna Blood seconded the motion. The motion passed and was approved by a unanimous vote of the board.

VII. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the board, James Kane moved to adjourn the September 27 meeting. The motion was seconded by Donna Blood. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors at approximately 5:20p.