
Board Members Present

Lewis Boyce
Laura Candell
Brenda Giannis
Sharon Swearingen

Lindsay Menas
Brad Merrifield
Nancy Securo
Donna Blood

James Kane

Absent

Joel Dugan
Revel Williams

MSF Staff

Tim Liebrecht
Dan Swiger

I. Meeting called to order October 26, 2021

- Brad Merrifield called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM, Tuesday, September 26, 2021. At this time, Kara Thomas, prospective board member introduced herself to the board and discussed how her talents and abilities could further the organizations mission.

II. Review of May Board of Directors September meeting minutes

- The September minutes were reviewed and Brenda Giannis moved to approve the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Sharon Swearingen. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

III. Treasurer's Report

- Laura Candell presented the July Treasurer's Report and the balances held in Main Street Fairmont's accounts as of 10/26/21.
- Lindsay Menas moved to approve the financial report as presented.
- Sharon Swearingen seconded the motion.
- The report was approved by the unanimous vote of the board.

Executive Director's Report

- The final Hometown Market was held on October 23. The event was closed early due to weather conditions.
- Plans for adding power outlets to the greenspace move forward; it was noted that Rogers Electric volunteered to install the pole and outlets free of charge on Wednesday, October 27.
- Planning is underway for the Feast of the Seven Fishes and Holiday Activities. Currently, 65 vendors for the Hometown Market and Feast of the Seven Fishes have registered to attend. The online store and ticket sales are on track to launch November 1.
- The online market study closed with over 350 responses. On November 3 a working group made up of community organizations will meet in the Main Street Offices to discuss the findings.

On Going Projects:

- **Monroe Streetscape project:** Tim reported the infrastructure bill was still in Congress and that he has upcoming meetings with two engineering groups to discuss the project.
- **Citizens Building Financing Modifications:** Information requested by the National Community Investment Fund (NCIF) has been sent. Tim is to follow up.
- **Property Taxes:** Past property taxes were paid. We will pay the first half of the current year's taxes prior to January 1. At that time, we will apply to the County Commission to request future property taxes be waived.

V. Old Business

- Nancy Seccuro reported that signage from old buildings on Merchant Street has been removed.

VI. New Business

- A discussion was held regarding purchase of new swag to sell at the Feast of the Seven Fishes. After the discussion, the board decided not to purchase new items to sell.
- At 5:19 motion was made by James Kane and seconded by Laura Candell to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters.
- At 5:26, the board returned to regular session and Lewis Boyce moved to accept Kara Thomas as a provisional Board member per the Main Street Fairmont Bylaws. Motion was seconded by Laura Candell and approved by a unanimous vote of the Board.

VII. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the board, Laura Candell moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by James Kane and approved by a unanimous vote of the board of directors at approximately 5:28 PM.