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Minutes for the Newberry Main Street Special Meeting
Monday, August 20, 2007
5:30pm-7:00pm
The Little Red School House

*denotes board member

Members Present:

*Christy Rutan
*Bill Conrad
John Barrow
*Barbara Hendrix
*Marsha Lee
*Amy Dalusio
*Anne Alfano
* Vi Whitfield
Lowell Garrett
Greg Ferrone
Sophie Tsikirayi

Members absent:

*Alexis Whitfield
*Natron Curtis
*Brenda Whitfield

Meeting was brought to order by the President, Barbara Hendrix at 5:55 p.m.

She thanked all members that gave their time towards a very successful Resource Team visit. She also discussed a large donation needed for a full time manager – this could be accomplished by a large donation of one or two firms.

I. Approval of Agenda

MOTION

Bill Conrad made a motion to approve the agenda
Christy Rutan seconded the motion

MOTION PASSED 7-0

II. Approval of Minutes of the July 31, 2007 meeting

MOTION

Amy made a motion to approve the minutes

Marsha seconded the motion

MOTION PASSED 7-0

III. New Member recognition

A letter needs to be sent to Destiny Church inviting them to the September meeting for New Member recognition

New Membership information needs to be sent monthly to Anne Alfano for update to the website

IV. Old Business

A. Review of Downtown Conceptual Master Plan – John Barrow

- Update the historic district – update the guidelines –
- Develop a streetscape plan with pedestrian amenities –
- Enhance on street parking facilities and develop off street parking facilities-
- Establish a façade improvement program-
- Develop design guidelines –
- Promote multi-modal transportation –
- Exploring the railroad theme – do not get to hung up on themes –
- Revitalize 252nd Street -

John will revise the drawing to include more emphasis on N.W. 252nd Street and delete the railroad theme; he will provide a copy and PDF file for sharing

V. New Business

A. Committee Items

1. Promotion Committee –

- (a) Discussion of preparation of minutes and timeframe
- (b) Representatives of each of the Committees to make presentation at the September 20th Chamber meeting.
- (c) Presentation of Newberry Market project to Board.
- (d) Update on Holiday Lights project; Welcome Wagon and Unity Day.

2. Scheduling of meetings and updates of all Committees

Promotion Committee –

Suggestions were to have a page available for committee heads

Anne opened discussion of preparation of minutes and timeframe – there was a consensus to post agenda and minutes - Newberry Main Street @ yahoo.com three weeks after meeting

Anne then brought up a presentation to the Chamber of Commerce Luncheon on September 20th from each Committee head to speak for 5 minutes before the chamber. Chairs meet at the Municipal Building at noon on September 20th

MOTION

Anne made a motion to approve funding of \$500 plus the cost of event insurance – to support the Newberry Market Fall Festival October 20th, 2007 – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Discussion ensued with an estimate from the treasure of \$1500.00 in the account, \$750 which has been reserved for the President Barbara Hendrix to attend the Main Street Conference. This leaves approx \$750.00 available for the Festival. The Committee may have to come back to the board for more money if dues come in. The festival expenditures are to be replaced by vendor money and or raffle sales during the festival. The president called for a second.

Bill seconded the motion

There was no further discussion

MOTION PASSED 7-0.

Anne presented an update concerning the Holiday lights, the Welcome Wagon, and the Annual Community Unity Day as follows:

- Donation base for holiday lights – 100% of money will go to Main Street – She needs 5 independent judges.
- Applications for the welcome wagon are on the web site.
- Anne needs to meet with Brenda to discuss the Unity Day – Commissioner Conrad suggested that the fall festival and unity day be considered as one event Anne likes the January date for Unity Day – she suggests that the group establish a date

B. Discussion of Resource Team Visit

VI. Comments

A. Board Members

B. Main Street Manager

C. General Membership

MOTION

Anne made a motion to table remaining items
Greg seconded the motion

MOTION PASSED 7-0

Motion by Bill Conrad to adjourn
Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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