

## **Downtown Revitalization Committee**

### **Minutes**

**April 6, 2023**

#### **5 pm. Red Daisy Girl, 130 N. Central Ave.**

The Downtown Revitalization Committee met on Thursday, April 6, 2023 at the Red Daisy Girl, 130 N. Central Ave.

Present were committee members: Carey Hargot, Tim Swiggum, Tony Wallace and Cindy Cardinal. Absent were Ken Martine, Nicole Rogers and Allison Milbert. Others present were Linda Barna and John Heil.

**Called to Order** at 5:02pm by Hargot.

**Minutes:** A Cardinal/Wallace motion/second to approve the minutes from March 2, 2023 passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** A balance of \$9,792 was reported. Murder Mystery proceeds and some flower donations were received. A Cardinal/Wallace motion and second to approve the report passed unanimously.

**Growin' Owen:** Nicole, Linda and Cindy met with Caleb Green. The Landscaping Class will be designing the flower bed at the new City Hall. They will lay fabric, mulch etc. We need to set a budget for them to do this work. A date is set to plant the baskets, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8am, at the Owen Public Works Garage. They will go right up on the poles that same day. We need to determine how many barrels we would like for the ground features on "Main Street". May 10 is Community Service Day and we will provide work for a group or two of kids. A Cardinal/Wallace motion and second to set a budget of \$300 for the garden at City Hall passed unanimously.

**Flower Watering:** Chad Smith needs the tractor used last year and is not going to provide it this year. We are still not sure if the wagon will be available either. We need to figure out a system and team to take care of the watering. It is important that we have an agreement to store our train and possibly a tractor if we are able to locate one. The depot is there but it is somewhat committed to the O-W Area Historical Society. We could work with them to form an agreement. We will look for a replacement tractor and bring any ideas to the May meeting.

**Street Dances:** Discussion was held on what to do if there is a rainy day. Do we have to pay full price or is there a discount? It was thought to be a good idea to have it set in a contract but most of the bands do not require a written contract. We will consider this with future band contracts. July 8 has been booked, Jack Damage along with Time Traveler will perform from 6pm-Midnight. We are continuing to look for June 3<sup>rd</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> bands and the Car Show on August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Car Show:** No discussion at this time.

**Autumnfest:** Discussion was held on moving the date up to September. After looking at the calendars, a Swiggum/Wallace motion and second to move the Autumnfest to September 30<sup>th</sup> passed unanimously.

**Any Other Business:** Cindy reported that there are new requirements for the farmer's market that might affect some of our vendors. Linda Barna is willing to take the lead and wants to get an organized list of participants with contact information. Vendors will need to fill out the form to satisfy the requirements but it is on the vendor to do any other reporting to the state as required. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**Meeting adjourned** at 6:30 pm by Hargot.

Submitted by Tim Swiggum