

Downtown Revitalization Committee Minutes

August 3, 2023

The Downtown Revitalization Committee met on Thursday, August 3, 2023 at Red Daisy Girl, 130 N. Central Ave.

Present were committee members: Ken Martine, Carey Hargot, Tim Swiggum, Linda Barna, Tony Wallace and Cindy Cardinal. Heil was absent

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Martine.

Minutes: A Hargot/Barna motion/second to approve the minutes from July 13, 2023 was approved.

Treasurer's Report: A balance of \$11,352.33 was reported. A Barna/Wallace motion/second to approve the report, not pay the Frenchtown Greenhouse bill, pay for the Bouncy House for the Car Show, and the Owen Blooms for You ad passed unanimously.

Growin' Owen: Cardinal will try to negotiate the Frenchtown Greenhouse bill. We will look into going with flats of plants for next year and possibly bidding it out.

Flower Watering: More communication with public works is working. Last time they needed the tractor things went okay.

Farmer's Market: We are trying to get more vendors. The El Pinal food truck has come. The cupcake lady that came during the fair did not come back. We had 14 vendors in July.

Community Gardens: The roof will maybe get done next week. Cardinal asked a question about some of the apple trees being on private property as this is what she was told. Swiggum said he didn't think they were but if they are it wouldn't be more than one or two trees.

Summer Street Dance: The paperwork has been completed.

Car Show: Cozy Corner has issues with the parking/street being closed; this will be on the city council meeting for discussion. Over 60% of main street signed the petition to close the street. Barriers need to be put up. Hargot has the forms updated. We will have 40 shirts for sponsors and make 60 shirts total. Car show entries vote for the cars, everyone can vote for the Crowd Favorite. Swiggum is working on trophies. Most of the meat has been donated, but we should maybe purchase a few hot dogs. Prices should be set for the food so we don't have to deal with quarters. For next year, we need to have a list with incentives based on sponsorship, including company logos on the shirt, print size, and the number of shirts they will get. Nicole Rogers and Cindy Cardinal will handle registration. The ad will be in the newspaper on August 9. Plans are to run the Blackhawk Express. The bouncy house is ordered. The cars will cruise past Clark County Rehabilitation & Living Center at the end of the show. The trailer needs to be in early. Cindy Knight will help cook. People are needed to sell 50/50 tickets. Grab bags for the participants will be packed August 16 around 10:30 a.m. A Cardinal/Hargot motion to pay \$160 for radio ads passed unanimously.

Autumnfest: We should get the bands booked. Whoever wants to be on the subcommittee should plan to meet at Red Daisy Girl on Wednesday, August 23 at 2 p.m.

Owen Centennial Celebration: The date has been set for Car Show weekend in 2025. There will be a smaller birthday celebration with a tree planting in April.

Any Other Business: None.

Committee Meetings: Car Show subcommittee is meeting every Wednesday at 10 a.m. until the Car Show is done. Autumnfest subcommittee will meet August 23 at 2 p.m.

Next DRC meeting: September 7, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. by Martine.

Submitted by Cindy Cardinal