

Downtown Revitalization Committee

Minutes

March 14, 2019

The Downtown Revitalization Committee (DRC) met on Thursday March 14, 2019, at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Present were committee members: Ken Martine, Allison Milbert, Nicole Shattuck, Travis Rogers and Jeff Conger. Absent was Tony Wallace and Mary Lynn Kiviko .

Others present: Tim Swiggum and Cindy Cardinal.

Called to order at 6pm by Martine.

Minutes:

A Rogers/Milbert motion and second to approve the December 6, 2018 minutes passed unanimously.

Financial Report

No report available.

Chainsaw Carving Funds:

To date we have raised \$750 thanks to a well written letter by Nicole. The cost of the carving is \$500 and a nice plaque will cost a little bit. It was discussed to have the school design and build the plaque or to have DJs Metal Art create something. Tim Swiggum will contact Travis Engel to see if that is something his students might be interested in doing.

Growin' Owen:

Allison discussed the need for rain barrels to help with the watering at the various sites. Jeff will look into the availability and costs of rain barrels to use. We still need to create a sign and display, take pictures and submit to CN so we can get our grant money. Community service days are coming up at the school, Allison will contact Morgan Mueller to be sure we are on the list of projects. It was also discussed that if there is a horticulture class at the school that they would get involved.

Event Schedule:

Car Show date is August 17. Owen Junior Fair is June 28-30. Autumnfest date will be October 19. A

Milbert/Shattuck motion and second to approve the dates passed unanimously.

Car Show:

Discussion held on broadening the categories and giving out better trophies. Possibly First Place trophies in more categories was discussed. The sign up and voting system needs to be improved. Travis Hargot might be interested in running the burnout contest.

Street Dance:

With the absence of the fair in July, it was brought up that a band that has a member that was invited to audition to The Voice. Her band is called EverRoad and the cost for the evening would be \$700. Mael's Dairy is celebrating 100 years this year and July 20th was discussed as a good date for their family. It was also mentioned that the All School Reunion will be held earlier that day at the Old School. A Milbert/Conger motion and second to book the band for July 20th for \$700 passed unanimously.

Autumnfest:

Date set is October 19, 2019. It was recommended that apple pie be used for the pie eating contest as too much pumpkin pie spice gets up the nose of participants. The Community Presentations should be better promoted to encourage participation from local groups and organizations.

Movie Nights:

It is believed that the library is able to be licensed to show movies. It was discussed whether to charge a cover charge for the movie night but the option of having a donation bucket was preferred and not require a charge. Several locations and dates were discussed. A Conger/Shattuck motion and second to plan a tentative date of September 21, 2019 and work with the library to create the event passed unanimously.

Other business:

Quick discussion to think about a possible Christmas/Holiday Celebration and a possible donation to an electric train purchase that can be used for all events in Owen-Withee. It was also mentioned that Mary Lynn Kiviko will be stepping down from the committee in April. All items will be placed on the next agenda.

Set Committee meetings:

Growin' Owen: April 17, 2019, Noon at L.A.S.T. Ace. **Car Show:** April 10, 2019, 6pm at L.A.S.T. Ace,

Next meeting will be held on **December 6, 2018, 5pm at City Hall.**

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Martine at 7:15 pm.