

**Downtown Revitalization Committee
Minutes
Thursday, May 14, 2020
5pm. Millpond Park**

The Downtown Revitalization Committee (DRC) met on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 5:00 pm. at the Millpond Park. Present were committee members: Ken Martine, Tony Wallace, Allison Milbert, Cindy Knight, Jeff Conger and Nicole Rogers. Absent was Travis Rogers.
Others present: Tim Swiggum, Rocky Lehr and Cindy Cardinal.

Called to order at 5:00 pm. by Martine.

Minutes:

N. Rogers/Milbert motion and second to approve the April 2, 2020 minutes passed unanimously.

Financial Report

No report

Electric Train: Fundraising, Use agreement, User Fees and Schedule

Need to promote the train more. We still need to try to recoup the money from the Growin' Owen grant. Discussion held on renting out the train but that would require a trailer to haul it with. The school has asked if they could use it for a book drive delivery to the kids. Donors and sponsors will be recognized with a clear window cling that should work on the train. A Conger/Knight motion and second to name the train "The Blackhawk Express" and begin work on recognizing our current sponsors.

Farmer's Market:

Starting June 6 from 10 am to 2 pm the Blackhawk Express will be utilized at the Farmer's Market. We have a few vendors and have a volunteer willing to help with games and entertainment. There has not been any organizations stepping forward to serve concessions as a fundraiser.

Growin' Owen:

Allison reported that a few volunteers have stepped up to "Adopt a Garden" area to help with weeding and other maintenance. Cindy Cardinal, Linda Barna, Terry and Linda Plautz are a few of them. It was asked if the city could provide the wood chips for mulch and all that needs to be done is tell them when.

Downtown Banners:

The school is working on graduation banners for the Class of 2020 and we do not have enough pole hangers. Chad Smith has indicated that Stetsonville has some available for a reasonable cost of \$500. The banner project is willing to donate \$250 toward the costs and there are 12 Christmas Banners included in the sale. Our cost would be \$250 for a value of \$1300. A Wallace/Milbert motion and second to approve the expense of \$250 for the Christmas Banners and pole hardware passed unanimously.

Owen Jr. Fair/Owen Main Street Car Show:

It is still not decided to cancel the Fair and Car Show at this time. WKEB out of Medford has an offer out to do a live broadcast during the week of the event and all week ads to help us advertise the weekend. It could be split 2 or 3 ways if we decided to do it. They need to know soon. A Conger/Milbert motion and second to agree to split the costs of the advertising with the Fair Board if they agree.

Set Committee meetings:

Growin' Owen will meet May 22, 2pm at the Woodland for a workday.

Car Show: May 20 at Noon at the L.A.S.T. Ace

Next meeting will be held on **June 11, 2020 at 5pm. at Millpond Park or the Library if weather is bad.**

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Martine at 5:49 pm.

Submitted by Tim Swiggum