# DUTCHTOWN COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES April 26, 2019

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Dutchtown Community Improvement District (the "District") held its monthly meeting on April 26, 2019 at 5.30 PM CST at Urban Eats Café, 3301 Meramec, St Louis Mo 63118

#### Attendance:

Directors present: Ashley Raineri, Stephen Bruce, Tony Duncan, Brandon Jacobsen, Stevie La

Chance

**Directors absent:** 

**Directors excused:** Caya Aufiero, Michael Powers

Guests present by invitation of the Board: Nate Lindsey, DSCC Volunteer

Open to the public

## Call to Order

Chairperson Ashley Raineri called the meeting to order at 5.30. Caya Aufiero was not present, so Ashley acted as secretary. Ashley announced that a quorum of the directors was present.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, March minutes were approved as written.

## Secretary's Report

No report.

## **Treasurer's Report**

- Profit & Loss & Balance Sheet as of 3/31/19
- Fiscal year net income \$58,539.50
- PNC checking account balance \$126,240.28
- Accounts Receivable \$21,304.64
- Checks received, not yet deposited \$1,488.92
- Accounts Payable \$5,954.69
- Bank statement and reconciliation as of 3/29/19
- Expenses to be paid: Campbell Security, Metro Sweeping, Urban Eats reimbursement.

## **Committee Reports:**

# Safety and Security Committee – Stevie Limmer, Chair

- General concern is effectiveness of patrols, and improved coordination with SLMPD. It was suggested to see if they would be willing to do any overnight shifts.
- Stevie scheduled a meeting with Capt. Moore and Corby Campbell from Campbell Security for **Tuesday, 5/7 at 2 pm at Crusoe's** if anyone wants to attend.

## Maintenance & Beautification - Tony Duncan, Chair

- We are running into a problem of the city emptying the trash cans and not putting liners in them, which is making it difficult for Metro Sweeping to empty them as quickly and efficiently as they would like. Tony is going to try and contact someone at City Refuse to see if we can pay the city to perform extra pickups (in lieu of Metro), or if it's possible for the city to start using bags. The city is currently emptying them every other week, and Metro Sweeping is emptying them once a week. The trash is definitely better with the increased disposals.
- It was agreed that we would put the word out that DTCID would provide free planting boxes for residents within the CID footprint, which would be available for pickup at the Open Streets event on 5/25. Stephen needs a photo of some of the plantings along Meramec or something similar in order to begin advertising this. Lucy thinks she can put together up to 20 boxes using the \$500 that we budgeted.
- Tony has requested a bench in front of his office from the alderman's capital improvement funds as an experiment to see if they would be a good addition to the rest of the neighborhood.

# Marketing- Stephen Bruce, Chair

- The marketing committee will need to promote the available planter boxes and gather contact information for interested residents.
- The cleanup event on 4/20 was a success, and we should consider scheduling one on a regular basis

## **Old Business**

- Based on initial discussions with Nate Lindsey (serving in a volunteer capacity to date), an election is not required for board member term renewals. Instead, the board can vote to renew their terms. If we would like for Nate's firm, Rasmussen, Dickey & Moore to prepare the necessary documentation for this, we need to approve their engagement letter (copy attached) and provide a retainer (listed as \$800, but this can be negotiated). Alternatively, we can seek counsel from Rob Droney at Smith Amundsen under our previously approved agreement with them. If anyone has thoughts or comments related to this matter, please respond to this email and copy all board members. We will need to make a decision as to how to proceed at our May meeting, since some of the board terms expire in July.
- It was generally agreed that we should not seek a sales tax assessment at this time; we need to continue to monitor progress of our current initiatives, and develop a strategy for use of increased funds before putting it to a vote.

## **New Business**

• The board reviewed all line items in the draft budget. Please email Ashley if you have any proposed budget changes so that they can be circulated to the board via email for review (copy attached). We will vote to approve the budget at our 5/23 board meeting.

#### **Action Items**

Tony/Lucy: Provide a photo of tree well plantings to Stephen ASAP

## Adjournment and next meeting

 Meeting adjourned at 6:26 PM. The next meeting of the Dutchtown CID board will be May 23, 2019, 5:30 pm at Urban Eats

Meeting Notes from Ashley Raineri, Respectfully submitted by Caya Aufiero, Secretary