# DUTCHTOWN COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES August 27th, 2020

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Dutchtown Community Improvement District (the "District") held its monthly meeting on July 23rd, 2020 at 5:41pm at the Neighborhood Innovation Center, 3207 Meramec, St. Louis Mo., 63118.

#### Attendance

Directors present: Brandon Jacobsen, Caya Aufiero, Tony Duncan, Stevie Limmer LaChance,

Fadumo Hassan, Michael Powers (via Zoom)

**Directors absent:** LaGwenda Sims

**Directors excused:** none

**Guests present by invitation of the Board:** John Chen, Nate Lindsey (via Zoom)

Open to the public

### Call to Order

Chair Brandon Jacobsen called the meeting to order at 5:41pm. Nick Findley acted as secretary. The Chairperson announced that a quorum of the directors was present, and that the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with its business.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Nick Findley submitted minutes from the July meeting. Tony Duncan moved to approve, seconded by Stevie Limmer. All in favor, the motion passed.

# Treasurer's Report

Stevie Limmer has gotten all data updated in the new QuickBooks software. All vendors and outstanding bills are paid. The bank balance as of 7/31/2020 was \$114,353. The CID is working with the Assessor's Office to acquire updates on tax assessments.

# Secretary's Report

Michael Powers has nothing to report as Secretary.

### **Committee Reports**

### Safety and Security, Brandon Jacobsen, Chair

The Safety Committee met on 8/20/2020 and had attendance of over a dozen neighborhood residents. The meeting was also attended by representatives from the Urban League's Federation of Block Units. Among other matters, there was significant discussion of the block organizing efforts being made by Dutchtown neighborhood organizations. Dutchtown's Cure Violence office operated by Employment Connection is to hold a grand opening on Saturday, 8/29/2020.

### Maintenance and Beautification, Tony Duncan, Chair

Discussion was held on the subjects of crosswalk design, the success of the partnership with St. Patrick Center to provide porter services, replacing damaged trash cans, and

potential plant and tree giveaways. A district audit will assess locations for new trash cans and trees. Tony Duncan and John Chen applied for and received a grant through Missouri Main Street Connection to make improvements to the parking lot at the Neighborhood Innovation Center to provide a more usable and active community space. The committee meetings will be at 6pm at the Neighborhood Innovation Center on the first Thursday of the month going forward.

### Marketing and Development, Nick Findley, Chair

The Marketing Committee has recently assisted in the promotion of Dutchtown Movie Nights and the block organizing program. New recommendations for a logo were presented; additional discussion will be had with the new Dutchtown Growth Manager and Missouri Main Street Connection with the plan to resubmit the recommendations in September.

#### **Old Business**

# **Dutchtown Growth Manager**

The Dutchtown Growth Manager position has been filled with the hiring of Jessica Payne. She will begin within the next week.

#### Cameras

John Chen discussed the costs and other details of the camera system used by the South Grand CID. Their system uses high end internet connected cameras with cloud storage and would connect to the Real Time Crime Center. The per camera cost ranges between \$3500 and \$4500, with monthly upkeep costs unknown at this time.

### Louisiana CID Expansion

Nothing new to report, efforts continue.

### **New Business**

## **Campbell Security**

The CID has agreed to pay the outstanding invoice from Campbell Security rather than pursue the matter further..

### **DT2 After Hours**

Downtown Dutchtown will host an After Hours event at the relocated Diana's Boutique on 9/16/2020 at 5:30pm.

### Tacos la Jefa

Tacos la Jefa will open in the Urban Eats Food Hall on 9/19/2020.

### **Adjusted Meeting Time**

A motion to move the monthly board meeting time to 6pm was put forth by Brandon Jacobsen. Caya Aufiero seconded. All in favor, the motion is approved.

# Adjournment

The next meeting of the Dutchtown Community Improvement District Board of Directors will be held on Thursday, September 24th, 6pm at the Neighborhood Innovation Center. Brandon Jacobsen moved to adjourn the meeting, Tony Duncan seconds the motion. All are in favor. The meeting is adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Nick Findley