

April 2024 - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Downtown Residents' Council, Inc.

Date: April 10, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

Place: First Financial Innovation Center, 4th & Vine Streets

Members Unable to Attend: Teri Boland and Joan Meyer

President **Jackie Bryson** called the meeting to order at 6:00PM and welcomed newly-elected board member, Tracey Johnson. Tracey will serve as the IT expert.



Approval of March 2024 Meeting Minutes:

Mary Heimert motioned to approve the minutes, Lisa Sprague seconded, and all voted in favor.

Approval of Treasurer's Report: (report provided prior to meeting)

Chase Mosijowsky motioned to approve the report, Sue Byrom seconded, and all voted in favor.

Reports of Committees and Projects:

Finance:

Tricia Lynn reported the Neighborhood Support Program (NSP) proposal was approved; however, funds have not yet been disbursed. The payment due to Wild Apricot will be paid via our debit card.

Membership Management:

See Old Business section.

Information & Technology:

Nothing new to report.

Social:

Mary Heimert reported the May social will be at the Banks, either at E&O, Yard House, or Killer Queen. She reported this is her last year as social director and is looking for a replacement.

Chase reported the Bay Horse Cafe is willing to host a future social for us.

Nominating Committee:

See New Business section.

Outreach:

Nothing new to report.

Clean, Green & Safe:

Sue issued the report prior to the meeting. She will be determining who will replace Alan.

Speakers:

Seth Harmon reported there is an opening for a May community meeting speaker. Let him know if you have someone who can fill the opening. He has speakers lined up on the Streetcar for June, Kroger in September, and the Mercantile Library in October.

Young Downtowners:

Chase Mosijowsky reported he is keeping social media up to date. Esther Wing has been posting upcoming events and speakers on our Facebook page.

New Business Items for Discussion/Action/Assigning or Deferring:**Executive Board Elections:**

The current Executive Committee Board members will continue in their roles except Vice President Alan Bunker. Sue is replacing Alan. The 2024/2025 Executive committee members are: Jackie Bryson as President, Sue Byrom as Vice President, Tricia Lynn as Treasurer, Sally Donovan as Recording Secretary, and Esther Wing as Corresponding Secretary. All approved the elections.

Community Budget Request, Clean/Green/Safe and Path to the Taft:

Alan spearheaded the above projects/activities and may be looking for replacement since he is no longer on the Board. Jackie will ask Alan if he wants to continue spearheading these projects and if not, look for replacements.

Traffic Calming:

Suggestions for where to install traffic calming devices are coming to Jackie's email. Kurt Grossman agreed to organize the data and present the findings back to the Board.

Old Business:**DRC Membership fee discussion:****What needs to be changed in Wild Apricot for the \$20 per person fee for household accounts and \$40 for businesses. Who is responsible for making the change:**

Joan Meyer is responsible for updating Wild Apricot with the new costs/fees. Tracey is available to help as needed.

Jackie agreed to communicate the fee changes for household accounts and businesses via an email blast as well as in the weekly update. The rate changes will be effective May 1, 2024.

Processing liquor license requests and renewals – any updates/meetings with police:

Sue continues working to improve the quality of liquor license requests and renewals. She is working on a new process to approve and process these requests.

Sue reported the CPD is adding another officer to assist Sergeant Lisa Dotson, our neighborhood liaison.

Announcements:

Jackie reported she is checking the DRC PO Box weekly.

Seth Harmon reported he received a meeting invitation from Mayor Aftab and will be attending. He plans to discuss the conversion of the downtown area to residential, juvenile crimes and more residential property ownership. Please let Seth know if you have any other topics to include in his discussion with the Mayor.

Jackie reported the DRC has the First Financial Center for the Board and community/member meetings through 2024.

Seth reported Staci Bell from ProKids is willing to host a DRC community meeting at their new location on 7th street.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01PM

Next meeting: May 13, 2024, 6:00 pm., First Financial Innovation Center