

July 2024 - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Downtown Residents' Council, Inc.

Date: July 8, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

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

Members Unable to Attend: Jackie Bryson, Tim Nolan, Esther Wing, Chase Mosijowsky



Vice President **Sue Byrom** called the meeting to order at 6:03PM.

Approval of June 2024 Board Meeting Minutes:

Tricia Lynn motioned to approve the minutes, Lisa Sprague seconded, and all voted in favor.

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

Joan Meyer motioned to approve the report, Tracey Johnson seconded, and all voted in favor.

Reports of Committees and Projects:

Finance:

The Treasurer's report was provided in advance. Tricia Lynn reported the remaining balance is \$10,386.13, which includes the web hosting fee and cost of the cart for caring for the Path to the Taft.

Membership Management:

Joan Meyer spoke about a member who was not receiving emails although the annual membership fee had been paid. She manually edited the member's status and things are working as expected now.

Social:

Mary Heimert has Bourbon's Craft Kitchen and Bar lined up for the July social. They will provide special pricing on drinks and some food.

Green & Safe:

Sue Byrom noted the meeting was quite brief this month. The Cincinnati Police Department reported car break-ins are trending downward.

Speakers:

Seth Harmon has Kurt Reiber, President/CEO of the Freestore Foodbank, lined up as the keynote speaker for the July member meeting.

Community Budget Request/Young Downtowners:

Chase Mosijowsky provided an email summary. Multiple individuals have approached him for the Community Budget request. He plans to attend the Invest in Neighborhoods meeting on July 18th. DRC meeting announcements continue to be posted on Twitter/X.

New Business Items for Discussion/Action/Assigning or Deferring:

Backfill Vice President:

Sue Byrom is stepping down as Vice President but will continue being a vibrant and active member on the Board. She noted four Board positions term out next year, including the President.

2025 Meeting Location:

There was a brief discussion about where to host DRC meetings through 2025. We decided to defer the decision at this time.

Transition/migration to new Domain:

Tricia Lynn noted we purchased a one-year contract with a web hosting service provider. Tracey Johnson noted the 'I live Downtown' website will be migrating to the new provider.

August DRC Library Tours:

The Downtown Main Library reopens July 13th. They are offering tours to DRC members. Mary Heimert is getting more details working with the library staff.

Old Business:

Joan Meyer continues purging past members greater than 120-days out from renewal from our website.

Sue Byrom reported active discussions with the police continue regarding the large gatherings at 615 Main Street. Sergeant Lisa Dotson is actively working to resolve issues but may take 4-6 weeks to decide.

Sue reminded us about the DRC Outing to the Reds game Tuesday, July 30th at 7:10PM. The outing will be promoted again in the DRC Newsletter. Tickets can be purchased at: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/DRC>.

The DRC has been invited to a Convention Center community session on July 23rd at 5PM, 805 Central Avenue, 7th Floor Griessel Conference Room, for an overview of the renovation project and the Elm Street Plaza development.

Announcements:

Seth Harmon is moving out of the downtown area to Delhi.

A shout out was made to the 'Fountain District' rollout. You can learn more about it at: www.thefountaindistrict.com

Teri Boland attended a discussion hosted by WCPO 9 on June 26th at the Lloyd Library and Museum discussing the topic: Searching for Solutions to Downtown Youth Crimes.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:44PM.

Next meeting: August 12, 2024, 6:00 pm., First Financial Innovation Center