

MainStreet Commission Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2012

Members Present

Michael Clark, Chairman
Tom Kane
Rick Butkus
Jack Cochonour
Kim Scalise
Jim Fuentes

Staff Present

Donna Framke, Marketing Director
Nancy Byrne, Secretary

Guests Present

Cathy Maloney, Findzall

Chairman Michael Clark called the June 20, 2012 MainStreet Commission meeting to order at 6: 35 p.m. There was a motion made by Rick Butkus, seconded by Jack Cochonour, to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting with the addition of: Events Report. Vote by voice call: Chairman Clark declared the motion carried.

There was a motion made by Jim Fuentes, seconded by Jack Cochonour, to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2012 MainStreet Commission meeting. Vote by voice: Chairman Clark declared the motion carried.

Chairman Report - Mike informed the group that the Music in the Plaza concerts will be starting for the summer and he asked the commissioners to sign up to emcee one of the events. Mike is working the June 23rd and August 18th concerts. He also discussed using an I-Pad to collect names for the downtown mailing list. Ellen will be at the Farmers Market on Saturday collecting names. Jack offered the use of their computer kiosk. Mike indicated that volunteers are also needed for Cruise Nights and Music in the Plaza to sign people up. The following people volunteered:

June 23rd – Mike Clark
July 7th – The Maloney's
July 21st – Jack Cochonour
July 28th – Jim Fuentes
August 4th – **Available**
August 11th – Kim Scalise
August 18th – Mike Clark
(Bill Sifuentes needs to change from August 18th)

Mike asked that Vicki put together a package with talking points for each of the emcees.

South Street Project Update – Kim Scalise reported that she attended the May 17th Plan Commission meeting in regard to the proposed Boulevard at Central Station project. She conveyed to the Board that the MainStreet Commission is excited about the project. She updated the group on the Plan Commission meeting and provided the commissioners with a detailed review of the meeting. She also noted that the project had been approved at the June 19th Board meeting. The next meeting will be July 17th and will be the second vote by the Board. Mike asked the commissioners to attend to support the project.

Downtown Tinley Park Update – Cathy Maloney previewed the new downtown website and asked for comments and suggestions from the commissioners. Cathy noted the comments made by the group and after giving the suggested changes to the web designers, she will run it by the commission one last time. Cathy also will do an email campaign announcing the launch of the website after it is finished and will use the emails that have been collected. Cathy will check on getting a Beta version to the commissioners.

Donna talked about the meeting schedules for the Downtown Tinley Park monthly meetings and the fact that fewer people are attending. She asked if we should consider changing the days and times. The Chamber is also conducting training sessions. Cathy thinks we should call the businesses again before the July meeting. Rick asked Cathy to provide everyone with a script for the phone calls. The new website will be live at the next Downtown meeting. Cathy distributed information on her report format.

Benches on the Avenue Update – Nancy reported that the on-line voting has been very active. The Meet the Artists night will be held June 23rd along with a Sponsor Appreciation Night. Most of the artists will be attending. The Walking Tour brochures have been printed and distributed. Donna encouraged other businesses to stay open during the June 23rd event and discussed some safety issues with the Cruise Nights.

Events Report - Donna reported that they met today in regard to a fall event. Cops & Rodders and the Kevin Clarke run will be held on September 9th. The Fine Arts Parade will not be held this year. She mentioned that the Village was approached by the Chamber of Commerce and that they will get back to us with some numbers for the July meeting. Joe Esposito is in agreement with the Kiddie Parade for Halloween.

Mike Clark informed the group that the July MainStreet Commission meeting will be cancelled due to the Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing. He also noted that the Marketing Committee meeting will be held June 28th instead of July 4th at the Village Hall.

There was a motion made by Tom Kane, seconded by Kim Scalise, to adjourn the meeting. Vote by voice call: Chairman Clark declared the motion carried and adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Reminder
Next MSC Meeting
Wednesday, August 15, 2012
6:15 p.m.
Kallsen Conference Room

Upcoming Events:

- *Benches on the Avenue “The Magic of Music” – May-Oct. 1st – Downtown Tinley Park*
- *Farmers Market – June through October – Zabrocki Plaza*
- *Cruise Nights – Tuesday’s 5-9 p.m. downtown between 171st St. & 173rd Place*
- *Music in the Plaza – 7-10 p.m. July 7, 21, 28, Aug. 4, 11, 18 - Zabrocki Plaza*
- *Caribbean Block Party – Noon-7 p.m. – Sun., July 15th – Downtown Tinley Park*