

MainStreet Commission Meeting Minutes October 19, 2016

Members Present

Beth Fahey
Dennis Suglich
Bob Haustein
Julie Volkmann
Julie Dekker

Staff Present

Donna Framke, Marketing Director
Kathy Congreve, Commission Secretary

Also Present

Brian Maher, Liaison Trustee

Members Not Present

Guests Present

Kurt Dekker

The regular meeting of the Mainstreet Commission was called to order by Beth Fahey at 6:08 p.m. Motion to approve the agenda made by Bob Haustein, seconded by Julie Volkmann. Motion to approve the September 21, 2016 minutes made by Bob Haustein, seconded by Julie Dekker. Approved by voice vote; Chairperson Fahey declared the motions carried.

Chairperson's Report – Beth Fahey announced the resignation of Dr. Robert Thies. A discussion was initiated about the new branding and how it relates to the future direction of the MainStreet Commission and its focus and purpose. Commissioners discussed a number of ideas: blending the MainStreet Commission with the Brand Development group, keeping the two distinct groups, or to change the structure and create an executive committee and a sub-committee. A change would need to be made to the existing ordinance to allow others to serve on the branding sub-commission or MainStreet Commission. The change will be discussed with village officials to address it from a legal aspect.

Special Events Update – Marketing Director Donna Framke presented an update on the upcoming Boo Bash and the Holiday Market. Finalizing the music theme for the Benches on the Avenue was discussed. Commissioners gave their feedback on the date options for the Irish Parade. A draft schedule for the Music on the Plaza and the possibility of raising the budget for the bands is planned for discussion at the November meeting.

Downtown Tinley/State of the State Meeting – Short discussion on final details for upcoming meeting. It was decided that there will be a PowerPoint presentation and a panel from the branding team will be available for Q&A.

Downtown Development – Marketing Director Donna Framke recapped the report sent in last week's email and noted that they will be sent to commissioners on a monthly basis in advance of the meetings.

Fence Variance – Commissioners reviewed a proposed fence variance for a location in Downtown Tinley. All were in favor; none opposed.

Trustee Update – Trustee Brian Maher provided an update on discussions with Panduit in regards to the land for the retention area, revised plans relating to Class 3 construction and the development agreement on South Street, and Central Middle School and North Street updates.

Comments from the Public – None

There was a motion made by Bob Haustein and seconded by Julie Dekker to adjourn the regular meeting of the MainStreet Commission at 7:30p.m.; motion carried.