

Minutes from the June 26, 2023 WCDC meeting at the Community Church reception hall.

Members present: Dave Laufer, Darla Joy, Mike Kilgore, Arlene Winn and Chuck Price

Mtg called to order at 6:35pm

Darla read minutes from the May 22, 2023 WCDC meeting. No corrections approved as written.

Arlene read the financial report. City budget line item is \$453.30 and Brick fun is \$1989.17. She asked that all financial correspondence for treasure needs to go through her before going to City Hall. This was agreed to by the committee. Arlene mentioned that our budget year ends in June and in order for us to get grants we will need to add a line item to our budget. We are unable to do that until April 2024. Committee members will make sure we get this added to next year's budget.

Old Business:

Dave read from bylaws suggested changes in three different areas. He read his suggestions and they were all approved by the committee. Dave will make the changes to the bylaws and send them to the City Hall for approval.

Updates on Projects:

Mike and Dave made repairs to the South Welcome site fence and were very happy with the outcome. Dave reported that the City has not ordered gravel yet for Welcome sign sites and will keep checking with them till completed. Arlene reported that Hawthorne tree has been removed from mini park, fence removed and other tree trimmed up allowing more light for roses garden and very pleased with the outcome. She would also like to see smaller mulch placed in this area and the committee said we will add this on next year's budget.

Chuck presented the application for the plaques for the Brick wall that the prices need to be changed and verbiage to explain where the money will be going. With that Mike mentioned vandalism to the wall and people removing the plaques. A camera for that area was suggested and Dave said he will talk with the City of a possible means to fund this through the Brick fund.

Dave spoke with Morris Signs in Milton-Freewater about making banners we could hang for holidays or seasonal. He charges \$16 a square foot so for 14 x 3 = \$672. Committee agreed this could be discussed and put into a project to get funding for next year. A painted mural was also discussed. Tabled till we have a site and possible subject for a mural.

Chuck reported he gave the Yard of the Month to the Jaspersons and will work on looking for July yard of the month.

Arlene has created a WCDC letterhead and will send it to Darla and Dave in a pdf that can be saved and used for future meeting minutes. Arlene is also going to talk with City Hall regarding the Brick wall sales and where the money goes.

Chuck will attend the City Council meeting and talk about the Jennifer Spurgeon memorial ceremony.

Dave spoke about recruiting local Weston residents for additional WCDC membership. Currently we have 2 open regular members and 2 alternate member positions. He spoke to a couple residents and invited them to our meeting. No one attended however Dave encouraged all committee members to continue to talk to residents and recruit for open spots.

New Business was tabled till the next meeting Monday, July 24 or 31st at 6:30 pm at the Community Church reception hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm