

A meeting of the St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District board of directors was held on **Thursday, April 22, 2021** from 8:34 am to 9:33 am at 111 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street or via Zoom. The following minutes were created by Christy George, Downtown Liaison.

Call to Order: Chairman, Ron Barbosa called the meeting to order at 8:34 am.

**Roll call:** The CID meeting was held at 111 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street or via Zoom. Ron Barbosa, Pat Dillon, Joe Houts, Brett Carolus, Bobbie Jo Hausman and Teresa Fankhauser were present. John Spencer participated speaker phone. Guest: Trevor Tutt

\*\*\***Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Pat made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as written, Joe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Pat made a motion to approve the special meeting minutes as written, Joe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report; given by Joe Houts:** Joe gave a review of the financial reports and a copy of these reports will be kept on file in accordance with the retention requirements.

\*\*\*Motion made by Brett to approve the financial report, and claims. Motion seconded by Teresa; motion approved unanimously.

**MWSU Center for Entrepreneurship update:** Miu submitted a report to the board updating her monthly progress downtown. Christy will invite Miu to the May 2021 board meeting so that all the board members get a chance to meet her.

## **Grant Requests:**

**Civic Arena Project**: \*\*\*The grant committee made a motion to fund the full amount of the grant request \$13,700 to secure professional renderings of the Civic Arena that will then be used in the assistance to raise money for the project. Pat seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Sounds of Summer:** \*\*\*The grant committee made a motion to approve the Platinum Level Sponsorship \$1,200 for the 2021 Sounds of Summer outdoor concert season. Pat seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Park/Shelter Replacement:** \*\*\*The grant committee made a motion to approve the funding request of \$7,404 to replace the existing rain and shade canopy located at 701 Felix in Coleman Hawkins Park with a new steel framed structure with polycarbonate roofing panels. Bobbie Jo seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The project is being discussed at the Downtown Review Board on April 27 at 4:00. Christy will send out a reminder to the board so they can attend and show their support for the structure.

**Downtown Security Options:** A brief review of the special downtown security meeting was presented. Suggestions were made to set up a security camera grant opportunity and/or the hiring of an off-duty officer to patrol the district. Christy will provide the downtown merchants with information regarding Crime Prevention Sergeant, Roy Hoskins free business security evaluations and will inform them of a property damage report that is available online. Christy will ask Kim Jennings, Office Mike Wilson if they would like to be part of a special CID Security Committee made up of board members Bobbie Jo Hausman and John Spencer. This committee will then meet to discuss how we move forward with the security issues downtown.

**Marketing:** Christy presented the board with a marketing proposal regarding a monthly downtown newsletter from the St. Joseph News Press. She also told the board that she has spoke with Madden Media regarding marketing options. The board felt they wanted to know all their options before they decide on one approach and asked Christy to contact Eagle Creative and KQ2.

## **Other Business:**

**Mayfest:** Christy updated the board on the Mayfest progress and handed out flyers with the Mayfest schedule.

**Trevor Tutt:** Trevor Tutt with MO-KAN and Mo Mainstreet introduced himself and informed the board of MO-KANs Executive Director Nick Hutchison's resignation. He also invited the board to attend the Mo Mainstreet Town Hall Meeting on May 26, 2021 at 6:00 pm at Restoration Church.

\*\*\*Adjourn: Motion made by Pat to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 am, seconded by Joe. Motion was approved unanimously.