

FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MINUTES August 15, 2011
Budget Workshop

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation met for a Budget Workshop on August 15, 2011 at the Best Community Conference Center with the following board members present: Loydell Seward, Jim Dawkins, Bill Daniel, Diane Piwko, Charlie Whitaker, and Del Sergent.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS

Chairman Dawkins welcomed Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf, and Parks Board president Mark Vincent.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dawkins convened the meeting at 5:47 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call by Adah Leah Wolf.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL AUGUST 8, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Del Sergent, and a second by Bill Daniel, the Board approved the meeting minutes of August 8, 2011 as written.

CONSIDER ITEMS FOR 2011-12 BUDGET:

Chairman Dawkins reminded the Board that all projects should be evaluated in terms of their community benefit. He suggested that they consider spending monies from the reserves since there are many worthwhile projects to fund this year.

MAIN STREET PROGRAM

The Board allocated \$60,000 for the Main Street Program. Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf noted that the programs are expanding, with the additional costs defrayed by program revenues.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board allocated \$2,000 for miscellaneous expenses.

MAINTAIN DOWNTOWN IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Chris Reavis will assist with the irrigation system on a volunteer basis this next fiscal year. \$250 was placed in this category for any necessary repairs, parts, etc.

NATIONAL REGISTER PROJECT

Adah Leah Wolf explained that project leader Libby Buuck is currently unavailable to continue this project; she recommended waiting to resume the project until Buuck is on hand.

MARKETING PROGRAM

Based on a previous presentation by Mayor Joe Helmberger, the board allocated \$12,000 for the city's Marketing Program.

REIMBURSE CITY FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES

The board left this amount at \$500

ELECTRIC PROJECT SOUTH LAKE PARK

An allocation of \$4,000 will continue the extension of power and light poles throughout South Lake Park.

CHAPARRAL TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS

The Board allocated \$50,000 as a match for the grant which has been approved for Chaparral Trail improvements.

FCDC 4B TRAINING

Allocated amount is \$2,000, to include tuition for Collin Regional Leadership Program.

COLLIN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP SPONSORSHIP

The Board increased their sponsorship in this area from \$2,000 to \$3,500.

SUPPORT PARKS & RECREATION PLAN

The Board thanked Mark Vincent for his attendance, and allocated \$6,000 toward Parks & Recreation plans. The board requested the Parks Board keep them apprised of all plans. Del Sergent will serve as Parks Board liaison.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Board allocated \$1,500 annual sponsorship for Chamber of Commerce. Sponsorship of Bike Ride to be considered through Marketing Committee.

MAY BUILDING TAXES

Board allocated \$800 to cover yearly tax expense for as stated in contractual agreement.

BAIN HONAKER HOUSE RESTORATION WORK

Board allocated \$3500, as previously requested in a presentation by Winnetta Morrow and Rita Roose from the Farmersville Historical Society.

DOWNTOWN MUSEUM SEED MONEY

\$5,000 was allocated to assist with the initial planning of a downtown museum. A planning committee has been formed with representatives from the Historical Society, Main Street and 4B.

DOWNTOWN SOUND SYSTEM

This item was deemed lower priority and no monies allocated this fiscal year.

VISITOR'S CENTER AWNING REPLACEMENT

The Board felt this was a high priority since it is a focal point of the community. Ben White to obtain bids.

WILDFLOWER PLANTING

Based on cost estimates of \$45 per pound obtained by Bill Daniel, the Board allocated \$1500 toward wildflower plantings, for the major road intersections of the Chaparral Trail.

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

\$1,000 was allocated to assist with Christmas activities on December 10, to coincide with the parade.

SPLASHPAD WATER RECLAMATION PROJECT

The board allocated \$12,000 toward a Splashpad water reclamation project; Ben White to handle.

SPLASHPAD RESTROOMS

The board allocated \$25,000 toward restrooms at the Splashpad, Ben White to handle.

HISTORICAL MARKER FOR POST OFFICE BUILDING

The Board allocated \$1,500 toward a historical marker for the Post Office Building, contingent upon the successful application for a state historical marker by Main Street.

BUDGET SUMMARY: See attachment

DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

A public hearing for the FY 2012 budget is planned for Monday, September 12, at 5:45 PM in the Best Center. The regular board meeting will follow the hearing.

ADJOURN

On a motion to adjourn by Bill Daniel, seconded by Del Sergent, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Jim Dawkins, Chairman

Attest:

Loydell Seward, Secretary