

**FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**MINUTES** October 10, 2011

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation met on October 10, 2011 at the Best Community Conference Center with the following board members present: Loydell Seward, Jim Dawkins, Bill Daniel, Diane Piwko, and Del Sergent. Board members absent: Charlie Whitaker, David Reynolds.

**RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS**

Chairman Dawkins welcomed Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf, Public Works Director Ben White, and Farmersville Historical Society Past President Linda Dawkins.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dawkins convened the meeting at 5:45 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call by Adah Leah Wolf.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL SEPTEMBER 12, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion by Loydell Seward, and a second by Bill Daniel, the Board approved the meeting minutes of September 12, 2011 as written.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL SEPTEMBER 2011 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXPENSES**

Adah Leah Wolf noted that 4B had received a reimbursement of \$5,000 for marketing expenses from 4A, thus that budget item was not overspent in FY 2011. On a motion by Bill Daniel, and a second by Del Sergent, the Board approved the financials from September, 2011 as written.

**UPDATE FROM BEN WHITE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Public Works Director Ben White provided a monthly written summary for September activities, and highlighted the following:

**Visitors Center Awning:** has been installed.

**Splashpad Restrooms:** The standards for the restrooms have been developed, and an architect is working pro bono on the project.

**Chaparral Trail:** White showed the overall plans that architect David Baldwin has submitted, and explained the “bump out” areas which would include signage, parking, restrooms, benches and landscaping. The immediate plans are to use city labor to install a decomposed granite trail surface which will be 8’ wide and 4” deep. The next steps are to confirm costs, and state out the exact trail location. The Board complimented the plans. Loydell Seward made a motion to fund the Chaparral Trail grant match and accept the plans as presented. Bill Daniel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Wildflowers:** Wildflower seed mix has been purchased, and will be seeded at the following road/trail interfaces: College, Houston, Murchison, and Merit Road. The Garden Club may contribute toward expanding the seeded areas. White would also like to seed storm ditches to prevent erosion.

**Spain Complex:** New bulletin board has been hung, and had already been vandalized.

**Water reclamation:** no progress yet

**Southlake Park:** A prototype for the lights has been found. Bill Keath is working on conduit installation.

**Sidewalk grant:** White explained that the city has received a Capital Fund Grant to improve ADA compliance with the downtown sidewalks. This project would begin construction in FY 2012. He can provide more detail at the next 4B meeting.

**MAIN STREET MANAGER UPDATE**

Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf provided a written monthly report for September 2011, and highlighted the following: The Post Office building history is being researched for a historical marker application. Bryan Williams has been welcomed to the Main Street Committee. Doggie Day Festival (Nov. 5) planning is in full swing. Marketing Committee has leased a billboard on Hwy 380. 80 goodie

bags were provided for the Collin County Fire Assoc. meeting held on Sept. 28. Graffiti was removed from the Onion Shed rafters. The trailhead sign has been obtained. Ernest Hood expressed an interest in locating his railroad hobby shop in the downtown area.

**MUSEUM PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Linda Dawkins reported that the committee members are: Linda Dawkins, Ellen Miller, Candy Miller, Deb Helmberger, Charlie Whitaker, Bill Daniel, Adah Leah Wolf, Jim Foy, Janis May, Marianne Politz, and Randal Shinn. The Committee has met twice, and will meet next on November 7. They are using a workbook for the development of new museums as a guide. A subcommittee is looking at downtown building space which might be available; another subcommittee will be inventorying items which are already owned which could be used for display. The fundraising will be done under the Historical Society's non-profit status, with a "museum" account. Bill Daniel made the motion that \$1,000 be disbursed to the Main Street account to be used as needed toward this project. Loydell Seward seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**WRAP-UP AND DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS**

The next board meeting is planned for Monday, November 14, at 5:45 PM in the Best Center. A report from Parks and Recreation Board will be placed on the agenda.

**ADJOURN**

On a motion to adjourn by Bill Daniel, seconded by Del Sergent, the Board adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM.

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Jim Dawkins, Chairman

Attest:

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Loydell Seward, Secretary