

**FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
MINUTES March 11, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation met on March 11, 2013 at the Best Community Conference Center. President Diane Piwko convened the meeting at 5:48 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call by Adah Leah Wolf. The following board members were present: Diane Piwko, Leaca Caspari, Jim Dawkins, David Reynolds, Del Sergent and Dick Seward. President Piwko welcomed Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf, City Manager Ben White, and City Councilman Jim Foy.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL FEBRUARY 11, 2013 MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion by Del Sergent, and a second by David Reynolds, the Board approved the meeting minutes of February 11, 2013 as written.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ITEMS FOR PAYMENT**

A motion was made by Leaca Caspari to accept items presented for payment; motion seconded by Del Sergent and carried.

**CONSIDERATION & POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2013 AND REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

A motion was made by David Reynolds to accept the February financial statements as written; motion seconded by Leaca Caspari and carried.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT—BEN WHITE**

City Manager Ben White provided a written monthly report for February, and highlighted the following: New doors have been ordered for the concession stand at the Spain Athletic Complex. The standard restroom site layout is complete for the Ramblers Park area. The city engineer is working on construction drawings and bid package/estimate, which should be available for the next board meeting. Phase II of the Main Street Capital fund Grant is complete. An arborist has looked at the trees in the downtown; we may need to upgrade their watering system. Grass was installed at the picnic area site at Chaparral Trail, and a temporary irrigation system in use. The Senior Center is interested in improving outdoor lighting and parking lot. The City Hall sign is being reconditioned.

**NAME NEW PROPERTY**

David Reynolds made a motion to name the property purchased by the 4B board “The J.W. Spain Complex” (the same name as the developed property adjacent to it). Jim Dawkins seconded the motion, which passed. The city may designate “north” or “south” as needed to distinguish sides.

**MAIN STREET PROGRAM REVIEW AND UPDATE—ADAH LEAH WOLF**

Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf provided a written monthly report for February, and highlighted the following: David and Gwen Reynolds are inventorying the Rike Collection at the Library, and hope to find original historic photos of downtown. The Farmersville Heritage Museum board met and has developed a timeline; Jerry Hart was appointed to the Board. Main Street Board met and is working on a historical walking tour of downtown. Farmers & Fleas Market fliers have been distributed to area trades days. The Southwest Arlington Geocache Club members will be at the market in April, for the 5<sup>th</sup> year to clean up Chaparral Trail. Rack cards and postcards have been designed for Audie Murphy Day. Farmersville will participate in the May 18 event, “Meet me in the middle” which will celebrate the Chaparral Trail. Events will be planned at the Trailhead. The sign at City Hall is being updated. Main Street architects provide information on care of and replacement of historic street paver bricks, as well as graffiti removal. 4A board

has approved two matching façade improvement grants: \$25 K for Austin’s Cleaners, and \$16 K for Williams building at 100 McKinney Street. Both building owners will be removing 1960s aluminum slipcovers. Tammy Fording now has interior restrooms and a kitchen at 106 McKinney Street. The city has completed installation of new LED light poles downtown as part of the Main Street Capital Fund grant. Jalapenos Mexican Restaurant is now open, with extensive evening hours. Main Street to complete application for Texas Treasures Business Award for several businesses that have been in continuous business for 50 years. Manger met with Mickey Davison regarding plans to build on his vacant lot. Davison now has a tenant at 135 S. Main.

Main Street Manager presented “Benefits of the Main Street Program” handout which identified key ways that the Main Street Program provides quantifiable benefits to the city.

Diane Piwko and Jim Dawkins discussed perceived deficiencies in the Main Street Program. A lively discussion ensued but no board action followed as a result. Main Street Manager left meeting at 7:15 PM.

**ADJOURN**

On a motion to adjourn by Leaca Caspari, seconded by Del Sergent, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Signatures:

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Diane Piwko, President

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Leaca Caspari, Secretary