

FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD (4B)

MINUTES ~ February 16, 2016

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation Board met on February 16, 2016 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. President Paul Kelly convened the meeting at 6:02 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call. The following board members were present: Donna Williams, Paul Kelly, John Garcia, Dick Seward, Kim Potter, and Cynthia Craddock Clark. Mike Goldstein was absent. President Kelly welcomed Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf, City Council Liaison Leaca Caspari, City Manager Ben White, Diane Piwko, Michael Carr, and Marvin Smith.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL JANUARY 11, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Donna Williams motioned to accept the January 11, 2016 minutes as written. John Garcia seconded the motion, which passed the full Board.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ITEMS FOR PAYMENT

Donna Williams motioned to approve the items presented for payment; Kim Potter seconded the motion, which passed the full board.

CHRISTMAS DÉCOR-FUTURE PLANNING – BEN WHITE & MICHAEL CARR

There was discussion of possible additions to Christmas décor for next year. Michael Carr explained several options, including the following possibilities: lighting in City Park, lighting at the entrance of McKinney Street and Hwy 380, wreaths and garland for the Main Street Bridge, and a new branch-type tree. The board asked Mr. White and Mr. Carr to bring examples and samples for review at the next meeting, as well as pricing for additional 2 foot tree sections, pricing for City Park, and pricing for the entry ways to Farmersville (Hwy 380 and Hwy 78).

DISCUSS PROPOSAL FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SPAIN ATHLETIC COMPLEX - BEN WHITE, MARVIN SMITH

Ben White and Marvin Smith discussed the need for drainage improvements at the Spain Athletic Complex. Several games were cancelled last season due to field flooding. Little League volunteers used shop vacs to remove the water. There is standing water after rains. Mr. White presented a proposal from Oak Grove Landscaping for the necessary repairs, and requested financial assistance from the board for the project. The board discussed allocating \$2,200 for a portion of the funds through a budget amendment.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JANUARY 2016 AND ANY REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Donna Williams motioned to accept the January 2016 financial statements as written, with a proposed amendment of \$2200 for the Spain Athletic Complex Drainage Improvement Project. Cynthia Craddock-Clark seconded the motion, which passed the full board.

CITY MANAGER REPORT—BEN WHITE

City Manager Ben White presented a written report, and highlighted the following: Foundation repair work has been done at the Onion Shed. Lighting for the new entryway flags at Hwy 380/Farmersville Parkway is complete. Ms. Holland's intermediate school class is planning a civic volunteer project to assist with downtown plantings. NETT has created the ultimate goal of seeing the trail become a Texas state park. The Race Across Texas (bicycles) will begin in Farmersville in October. City Secretary has resigned; Paula Jackson serving as interim. US 380 construction is complete with the exception of the Main Street train crossing. Roof and brick repairs are underway at the public safety building. Dairy Queen will be getting a facelift after the recent damage.

MAIN STREET MANAGER UPDATE—ADAH LEAH WOLF

Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf presented a written report for January, and highlighted the following: The Collin College Stetson and Stiletto Event will be Feb. 20 and the board is invited. The developing Farmersville Heritage Museum will have an open house on Feb. 21 from 1-4 pm and all are invited. The Farmersville Historical Society's annual banquet and style show is Feb. 27 and it is a fundraiser for the Bain Honaker House. This month's downtown merchant's get together will be on Feb. 18 at Clay Potter Auction. At Main Street manager's training in New Braunfels last week, Farmersville Main Street was named a nationally recognized city (57 out of the 90 Main Street cities received this designation). The Shoppers Guide has been revised. Main Street architectural design assistance was received for Jordan's Barbeque façade. The restaurant has hired 16 staff members and is now open. Matt Busby (Boundary Solutions) has moved from 107 McKinney Street to 116 McKinney Street. Good Morning Texas show will feature Mary Berry at Fancy Fibers this week. Recent reinvestment statistics were reviewed and compared with similarly sized Texas Main Street cities.

DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

The next meeting will be on March 14, 2016. A discussion of Christmas tree/décor will be placed on the agenda. Main Street report to include update on National Register project.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Signatures:

Paul Kelly, President

Donna K. Williams, Secretary