

FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD (4B)

MINUTES ~ October 9, 2017

5:45 P.M. City Council Chambers

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation Board met on October 9, 2017 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. President John Politz called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call. The following board members were present: John Politz, Katherine Hershey, John Garcia, Jesse Nelsen, Tobey Ferguson, and Mike Goldstein. Others recognized were Adah Leah Wolf, Main Street Manager; Clay Potter, Brady Cottle, Leaca Caspari, Donna Williams, Randy Rice, City Manager Ben White, and councilman Craig Overstreet

PUBLIC COMMENT

President John Politz opened the floor for comments. No comments were given.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL SEPTEMBER 11, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Katherine Hershey made a motion to approve the minutes of September 11, 2017 as written. Motion was seconded by Jesse Nelsen and passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ITEMS FOR PAYMENT

President Politz explained that the City Council had approved \$10,000 for Christmas lights; therefore 4B's portion will also be \$10,000. In addition, 4B has placed \$2,500 in the budget for the November 4 city wide clean up.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2017 AND ANY REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Tobey Ferguson made a motion to approve the September 2017 financial statements as presented. John Garcia seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

DISCUSS MAIN STREET MANAGER SEARCH PROGRESS

Ben White reported that there have been some applications received, but no interviews yet. He explained that he will wait to hire until he has a quality candidate. There could be a few months gap before a replacement is hired. He has met with Debra Dresher, Texas Main Street Director, who has indicated she will be available to assist with the hiring process. This is a service provided to cities in the Main Street Program. The Main Street Board President and 4B representatives will be invited to assist in the interview process. Ben thanked Adah Leah for her years of service to the city.

CITY MANAGER REPORT- BEN WHITE

Ben White provided a written report, and explained the following: The City is receiving bid documents for the Spain Complex project. The Rotary sign for the Splash pad has been received and needs to be installed. The Gazebo needs to be repainted. The tree pruning program continues along Farmersville Parkway. The city approved a Christmas light budget of \$10,000 which will be matched by 4B. The turn on day will be the day before Thanksgiving. Lights will go up within the next few weeks. Fishing dock has been completed. The park equipment at Southlake needs some repairs or updating; 4B will receive a future request from the amenities board for new equipment. Centennial Committee will be funding the Senior Citizen parking lot and the flooring replacement in the Library. There are several other large projects going on including a water line project. November 4 will be the city clean up event; 4B will match up to \$2500 in costs. We have been approved a Community Block Grant to rebuild Rike Street, it

will probably be next year before construction begins. Camden Park construction has begun. The city has received funding for the wastewater treatment system; the preliminary environment clearance is in the works. The west side lift station will need to be completed in 180 days. The waterline for the concrete plant will be paid for by TIRZ monies. The silent railroad crossing is on the priority list.

Katherine Hershey asked about recent complaints about the Camden development regarding tree removal. Toby Ferguson asked if trees would be planted with each house, and the price range of the homes. John Garcia asked if there would be apartments, and what level they would be. Ben White indicated that Phase I is for the homes. Future apartments will be three level. John Garcia asked if the Fire Department knows about the three level apartments planned. The builder is D.R. Horton.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ITEMS FOR PAYMENT

The board will consider reimbursement for the November clean up date at their November meeting. John Garcia made a motion to approve the items as presented for payment. Motion was seconded by Mike Goldstein and passed unanimously.

MAIN STREET MANAGER UPDATE

Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf presented a written report for September 2017, and highlighted the following: Adah Leah has been wrapping things up. Filing systems have been cleaned up; the map of downtown has been updated; the downtown data base has been updated; there is now a file guide for every drawer; the city annex storage items have been organized; the marker upcoming dedication has an invite list and labels. A Farmers & Fleas Committee will meet again and will be prepared to cover Nov. and Dec. Files have been archived. The Main Street board will be asked to complete monthly reports to Texas Main Street. She will begin to work on the ten criteria report which is due at the end of November. A complete report makes the city eligible for National Main Street recognition, which the city has received each year it has been in the Main Street Program.

Volunteer assistance has been received in the office which is appreciated. A sidewalk construction meeting will be held tomorrow morning at 8:30 AM (grant is primarily for ADA compliance for sidewalks). Clay Potter building still receiving structural work on the back side. The Post Office windows were reworked and are beautiful. The BBC was filming last week at the Post Office; it will be a program about post offices. Guy Anderson has submitted a Façade grant application to the 4A board for the building that Dr. Gamboa is in. Adah Leah's last day will be October 31. The Main Street manager for Celina will visit FV on Oct. 19. Several people attended the Main Street Board training session held in Celina last week, including Randy Rice, Leaca Caspari, Donna Williams, and Doris Cooks.

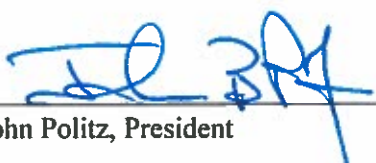
DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

The next board meeting will be held on November 13, 2017. Randy Rice photographed the board and Main Street Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, John Politz adjourned the meeting at 6:32 PM.

Signatures:


John Politz, President


Cynthia Craddock-Clark, Secretary