

FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD (4B)

MINUTES ~ November 26, 2018

6:03 P.M. City Council Chambers

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation Board met on November 26, 2018 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. President Mike Goldstein called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call. The following board members were present: Mike Goldstein, Sherry McGuire, Tobey Ferguson, Alice Bridges, and Richard Holbrook. Following board members were absent: Cynthia Craddock-Clark and Jesse Nelson. Others recognized were City Staff Liaison Audrey Rubadue and City Manager Ben White.

Mike Goldstein announced a training session for the Main Street Program would be held on Monday, December 10th at 4:30p.m. to 7:00p.m. The training session will be presented by the National Main Street Program, and the 4B board, 4A board, Main Street board, and City Council will all be present for the training.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Mike Goldstein opened the floor for comments at 6:07p.m.

Diane Piwko made a comment after looking at the Main Street report and stated that under the October 26 it stated City Manager appointed Doris Cooks as Interim Main Street Manager. – stated it showed her as the President of the Main Street Board that was an inaccurate statement because Doris was the Vice President of the Main Street Board. She explained the board has not yet had a chance to meet to elect new officers, so Doris is technically the Vice President. Mr. White stated he would pass the information along.

Chairman Mike Goldstein closed the floor for comments at 6:07p.m.

BUSINESS ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Consider, discuss and act concerning financing or paying off the loan for the park land close to J.W. Spain.

Mike Goldstein brought up the proposition to pay off \$32,250.00 of the loan and then talk to the bank to see if loan could be refinanced at a lower interest rate. Sherry McGuire moved to approve paying the one time lump sum of \$32,250.00. Richard Holbrook seconded, which passed unanimously.

B. Consider, discuss and act concerning swing set and other playground equipment for parks in Farmersville.

Ben White presented a detailed bid for an ADA compliance swing set. Richard Holbrook asked how much the total would be for purchasing, and installing the swing. Mr. White said the estimate was \$6,000.00 for the entire project with Public Works department supplying the labor. Mr. White then stated it made sense to purchase a standard swing set to go next to the ADA swing set. Alice Bridges commented that she has seen ADA swings before. Tobey Ferguson said made it sense to buy a standard swing set to place next to it in order to gives kids something else to play on. Mr. Holbrook asked if the total for both swing sets would be \$12,000.00 or was he requesting \$10,000.00. Mr. White said he didn't have all the figures to give a definite amount but he felt like \$12,000.00 would be enough. Tobey Ferguson said she was in support of both swing sets. Mr. White asked if there was a commitment regarding the funds. Mike Goldstein asked if everyone was in agreement to research both options some more. All agreed to wait for more research before moving forward.

C. Consider, discuss and act on new remote units for down town sound system.

Mr. White said there was approximately \$2,000.00 left from the funds that Reagan Rothenberger had put in place. He then explained the current issues with the sound system. He said that he already purchased items to fix the issue so it would operate correctly for the upcoming parade. He is hoping that 4B will cover the cost. Tobey Ferguson left the meeting at 6:37p.m. Mr. White said the sound system may go over the current budget by \$1,000.00 to \$2,000.00. Mr. Goldstein told Ben he had the Boards informal okay to go ahead and proceed.

D. Consider, discuss and act on items for payment.

Mr. Goldstein stated he and Tobey had already signed the checks.

REPORTS (No deliberation or Action to be Taken)

A. Interim Main Street Manager Report – Doris Cooks

Mr. White said Doris Cooks was doing a fabulous job and was learning. He stated she had her first Farmer's and Fleas on November 3rd and it went great. New forms for Farmer's and Fleas were made and given to City Staff so they can now take money at City Hall for Farmer's and Fleas. It will also help with the auditors in the future if they have any questions.

B. City Manager Report – Ben White

Mr. White said in the past 4B contributed \$10,000.00 towards the Christmas lights. He explained he received new bids but the companies took so long to get the bids back, that the main vendor didn't have enough time to do the job. He stated he enlisted the help from the City Electric crew and Public Works crew to put up the lights. He stated he has not received any complaints this year. He stated he was planning on using the Electric Crew and Public Works next year and it would be even easier because now they would have a system in place. He suggested if we kept the \$10,000.00 in budget for next year we could consider getting a new Christmas tree.

He stated the new handrails are installed on the sidewalks downtown. There has been questions about changing the colors and request for gates. We had a couple of people that fell since the railings weren't in. He said the rails basically completed the sidewalk project. Also, we have all the ADA compliance parking spots in.

He explained he wanted to do sidewalk stripping downtown in the parking area. He said he is considering using the Public Works to do the stripping. He explained he might come back to 4B and request funds to purchase a machine able to do stripping and little jobs that we might need to do.

He indicated the development agreement had been signed by Reliable. He said he would have the water line to complete in 4 to 6 months. It will be a 12 inch line out to U.S. Hwy. 380.

He said the Christmas parade is coming up on December 8th at 7:00p.m. There will be Public Works vehicles, and everyone is welcome. Leaca Caspari asked that everyone please sign up ahead of time. Mr. White asked if there were any questions about what is going on around town.

REQUEST TO PLACE ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

ADA compatible swing sets.

Final approval for sound system downtown.

Discuss the rest of the loan and what the interest rate will be for the remaining balance of the loan.

ADJOURMENT

There being no further business, Mike Goldstein adjourned the meeting at 6:57P.M.

Signatures:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike Goldstein", written over a horizontal line.

Mike Goldstein, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tobey Ferguson", written over a horizontal line.

Tobey Ferguson, Secretary