



August 7, 2023

Welcome (Dan) - Call to order at 6:05 pm

- **Previous Meeting Notes (Jace)** - James motioned to approve, Justin seconded. Passed unanimously
- **Treasurer's Report (James)** - Current balance is \$20,620.92 - LaShana motioned to approve, Justin seconded. Passed unanimously
- **Old Business -**
 - **Tucker Shell Update (Dan/James)** - Received an acknowledgement of receiving the DNA letter - indicating that we would hear something more substantial by August 9th.
 - **Downtown SUD/I-Zone Update (Dan/James)** - No movement on SUD/I-Zone. Will send a letter to try and nudge the process forward.
 - **Downtown Economic Development Council - Update (Dan/James)**
 - No meeting in July
 - Next Meeting 8/17 Agenda Topics: N/A
 - **Website Update (LaShana/Kristin)**
 - We informed Erik to proceed with the modifications to the website
 - Integrating New Membership Signups into Mailchimp and Membership Spreadsheet
 - Membership portal
 - Mailchimp Signup
 - Basic website updates
 - Meeting Minutes
 - Regular Updates
 - We have not heard from Erik as of yet on the progress
 - The board meeting minutes have been uploaded onto the website and are up to date. The safety committee minutes are uploaded and updated through 2022. Still working on 2023.
- **Board Bills (James)**
 - [Short Term Rental](#) - BOA went on summer recess without addressing this bill.
 - [Surface Parking](#) - Alderman Aldridge indicated he was meeting with the Cardinals to discuss this board bill.
 - [Liquor License Process](#) - there appears to be concern around this bill by people and businesses throughout downtown. The BOA has been contacted about the DNA concerns around this bill. Dan is going to lead a meeting with Ward 8 consortium to discuss the concerns around eliminating plat and petition and the concern around the ability to move liquor licenses from original application. It also increases the area that you need to solicit opposition signatures to a liquor license.



- [Prohibiting Persons from Displaying a Firearm](#)
- **Others (Homeless Bill of Rights, Tenants Bill of Rights, etc)**
- **Ely Walker Letter (Kristin)** - Dan will resend the Ely Walker letter with additional information and focus on the Problem Properties Dept.
- **Support Letters - City Place (James/Dan)** - Board supported a letter of support for City Place
- **Downtown Restaurant Week Planning Committee (James)** - Monday, October 16th-Sunday, October 22nd
- **Ward 8 Consortium**

New Business

- **July Town Hall Recap - July 10th @ 6pm** - good turnout and appreciative of the number of officers that attended the meeting. A lot of very positive comments.
 - **Survey Review** - *Guest speakers are the highest rated portion of town hall meetings*
- **Upcoming Downtown Events (Dan)** - Alderperson Town Hall - August 9th - 5:30-7:00 at the Library
- **Social Media Communication (Dan)** - improving downtown engagement
- **SLDC Assistance** - development corporation, talking about ways to help downtown
- **Residential Report (Dan/James)** - getting some responses, 12 responses from HOA's and 12 responses from rentals
- **Continue Discussion on Membership Blitz/Drive (Kristin/Dan)** - will wait until the website is updated.
- **Committee Updates**
 - Membership (Kristin) - will wait until the website is updated.
 - Urban Spaces (Jace)
 - Events (Dan)
 - Happy Hour Recap - The Pitch - 7/27
 - Next Happy Hour - 21c - 8/31 - Pre-tour at The Collective Thread
 - Development - working on a fundraiser mailing
 - Safety (Dan) - things seem somewhat better, however the youth event held the weekend of August 4 turned into a safety issue. Will send a letter with our concerns.
 - Building Captains (Dan/James)
- **Open Discussion -**
- Reached out to the streets about the Washington Avenue light replacement project. Have not heard back from them.

James motioned to adjourn. LaShana seconded - Adjourned at 8:21 pm