

**MAIN STREET HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2009, 5:00 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM, 200 W. SECOND STREET  
FREEPORT, TEXAS 77541**

**PRESENT:**

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| Pixie Floyd | Sandra Leavey | Marjorie Clark |                   |
| Lila Lloyd  | Nat Hickey    | Josh Pettijohn | Sandra Wood-Wicke |

**ABSENT:**

Sandra Barbree      Lance Olshovsky

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

President Pixie Floyd called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

**1. VISITORS**

City Manager Jeff Pynes and Grady Pennington were in attendance at meeting.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Nat Hickey made motion to accept minutes for September 17, 2009 and October 1, 2009 as presented. Motion was seconded by Sandra Leavey. Motion approved.

**3. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None

**4. FEEDBACK ON MEETING WITH CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Jeff Pynes stated the permits for the signs are still pending with TxDOT and that soon as city receives the permits, signs will be erected.

**DISCUSSION OF BUDGET**

Proceeds to the Summertime Blues Festival from On the Run the group that held the triathlon event was received by check for over \$2,000 as our portion of the proceeds. Funds were deposited into the Donated Funds account with the city.

**6. DISCUSSION GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**Sign Grant –KC Co.**

This business is a resale shop. Lynn spent \$553.82 on her sign. Lynn is requesting a matching sign grant up to \$250.00 .

**Sign Grant –Tammy's Tavern**

This business is a tavern owned by Tammy Davis. She has spent \$300 for her sign. She is requesting a \$150.00 matching grant.

**Roof & Paint Grant – Marjorie Clark**

This building is the old post office on Broad Street. It is currently being renovated. Marjorie has spent \$8500 for new roof and paint. Marjorie is requesting a matching roof grant for \$500.00 and a matching paint grant for \$200.00.

**7. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF GRANTS**

Motion was made by Sandra Leavey and seconded by Sandra Wood-Wicke that we approve a \$250.00 sign grant for KC Co. Motion unanimously approved by those present.

Motion was made by Sandra Leavey and seconded by Josh Pettijohn that we approve a \$150.00 sign grant for Tammy's Tavern. Motion unanimously approved by those present.

Motion was made by Sandra Leavey and seconded by Sandra Wood-Wicke that we approve a \$500.00 roof grant and a \$200.00 paint grant for Marjorie Clark. Motion approved by those present. Marjorie Clark abstained from voting.

**8. BLUES FESTIVAL VENDOR UPDATE**

Discussion was held in regards to vendors who did not pay their fee. Sandra Leavey reported there were two and these vendors are to be billed.

It was stated someone had called inquiring as to whether we would hold the Blues Festival next year. Mr. Pynes stated we would. A call will be given to the individual inquiring to let him know we will hold festival.

Date for festival was set for September 3, 4, and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Sign on side of Theriot building will be redone to reflect this date.

Mr. Pynes stated the lighting for the event was bad and suggested the Main Street Board submit a recommendation to upgrade the lighting for this area. Mr. Pynes stated he would look to find funding for this upgrade. Sandra Leavey stated they had worked on a plan and would see if she could find their workpapers. Discussion was held in regards to the generators used and Sandra said when they redid the electrical for the park it was originally designed to eliminate the generators. She said it was originally designed for the vendors to use outlets in the park. Sandra said it was not done because of costs involved. Keith Stumbaugh an electrical engineer and Scott, city's electrician, both worked on this project.

Josh Pettijohn and Sandra Wood-Wicke will work on thank you notes for those who gave of their time, money, and services for the event.

**9. DISCUSSION OF ARTICLE IN SUNDAY OCT. 4, 2009 THE FACTS REGARDING 4 VENDORS**

Discussion was held concerning article in The Facts discussing vendors who wanted their vendor fee refunded due to the problem with generator emitting fumes. The generator was replaced. The board only knew of one vendor, Mr. Shaffer who complained. He was told he could move into any open space at the event. However, he chose not to move and just closed his booth. There were other vendors who did move into available open spaces.

It was mentioned Gilbert has names of vendors who may need to be refunded. We will need to contact him to get names and then try to contact any of these to see if they wanted their fee refunded.

**10. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF REPAYMENT OF BOOTH FEES FROM THE BLUES FESTIVAL**

Sandra Leavey made motion with second by Josh Pettijohn that we refund Mr. Shaffer his \$75.00 vendor fee. Motion approved. Pixie Floyd opposed.

Josh also mentioned that we may need to revise our vendor notice in a manner that we have a non-refundable clause in it stating that we allow vendors to move should there be a problem with their location. If they decline the move their fee will not be refunded.

**11. DISCUSSION OF DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION MEETING IN TYLER**

The Texas Downtown Association's conference in Tyler on November 3<sup>rd</sup> thru the 6<sup>th</sup> was discussed. Registration is \$275 person with additional costs to attend other events bringing costs to around \$490 each person. The estimated costs for 4 to attend conference will be around \$1900,

**12. CONSIDERATION OF REGISTRATION FOR DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION MEETING**

It was decided that up to 4 member of the board may attend the Texas Downtown Association's conference in Tyler on November 3<sup>rd</sup> thru the 6<sup>th</sup>.

**13. SET WORKSHOP DATE**

Tabled

**14. DISCUSSION OF REQUESTING A SIGN TO BE POSTED WITH RULES FOR THE NEW MEMORIAL PARK FOUNTAIN**

Mr. Pynes told board that sign was already being worked on by Larry and would soon be in place at park.

**15. DISCUSSION OF HISTORIC OVERLAY DISTRICT**

Nat Hickey told board that every piece of property has been identified and that he has a notebook containing up-to-date pictures of each piece of property.

It was discussed that original opposition was due to property owners being concerned as to how restrictive it would be. Mr. Pynes stated that he would help to foster to get it done.

Historic Overlay District Committee was established consisting of Nat Hickey, Marjorie Clark, Sandra Leavey with Mr. Pynes' advise and input to accomplish this task.

**16. DISCUSSION OF MARDI GRAS FUNDRAISER**

Sandra Leavey stated that she has people who will donate things. She stated that we still need to find a bank. Josh Pettijohn mentioned about getting the Intercoastal Pirates. The event will be held on a Friday evening in February. Sandra also stated that the River House has already been reserved for this event.

**17. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. Design

No Report.

B. Economic Restructuring

No Report.

C. Organization:

No Report.

D. Promotion

No Report.

E. Historical

Nat Hickey reported they are trying to get volunteers to have the museum opened on weekends. It was also reported that we will have a computer, printer, phone and file cabinets in the Main Street/Museum office .

**18. SET, TIME, PLACE AND DATE FOR NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting was set for Tuesday, November 10th at 5:00 p.m. to be held in the Main Street/Museum building.

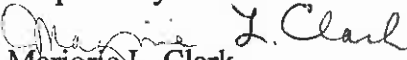
**19. DISCUSS ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

Josh Pettijohn asked that we discuss at next meeting having a day/time for Family Time at the Summertime Blues Festival such as a Thursday.

**20. ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

  
Marjorie L. Clark  
Secretary