

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OWOSSO DDA / MAIN STREET
Council Chambers, City Hall
March 4, 2015 – 7:30 am.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:38 a.m. by Ben Frederick.

ROLL CALL was taken by Secretary Alaina Kraus.

MEMBERS PRESENT:, Authority Members Benjamin Frederick, Dawn Gonyou, Lance Omer, Kevin Wiles and Secretary Alaina Kraus

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairman Dave Acton & Authority Member Meredith Landino, Bill Gilbert, Ken Cushman

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Adams, DDA /Owosso Main Street Manager; Susan Montenegro, City of Owosso; Dr. Willy

AGENDA:

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER WILES SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER KRAUS TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR MARCH 4, 2015.

YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER GONYOU, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER WILES TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2014.

YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC / BOARD / STAFF COMMENTS:

None

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Included later in agenda.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. CHECK REGISTER APPROVAL.

SEE BOARD PACKET FOR CHECK REGISTER

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER OMER , SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER GONYOU TO APPROVE THE CHECK REGISTER FOR FEBRUARY 2014 AS PRESENTED.

YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

2. BUDGET REPORT.

Fundraising will be added to the budget later.

3. 2015/2016 BUDGET APPROVAL

Budget is the same as last year because we have been on track with it. It is still a zero balanced budget. Committees will be able to add fundraising funds later

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER KRAUS, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER GONYOU TO APPROVE THE BUDGET AS PRESENTED.
YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

4. OMS CHECKING ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE

Jim Demis was not only a check signer, but the official representative and so a new one needs to be appointed.

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER WILES, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER OMER TO APPROVE BILL GILBERT AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE.
YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

5. 2015/2016 COMMITTEE PLANNING UPDATE

Instead of a corporate planning meeting, this year planning occurred at the committee level.

Organization is focusing on volunteer database/development, comprehensive fund generation planning, and continuing ongoing projects.

Design is doing an "I Spy" architectural game, downtown bike racks, facade cleaning/painting, Christmas Greens/Decoration, and continuing ongoing workplans.

Frederick asked if the new bike racks would be the same as the previous. This is not yet known, but may change in areas to accommodate more bikes.

ER will be developing a subcommittee that deals with the concerns of the DDA while the regular committee deals with work plans. Included work plans are the mentorship program, business visitation program, property owner program, theater marquee, and facade grant facilitation.

The survey to update our demographic data to extend the ability to get facade grants and other services is progressing, but will still take some time.

Promotion has a lot of events going on, so work plans aren't being added, but making sure to correlate with goals for the year as well as a more regional focus.

6. WESENER DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The paperwork is in from Loomis and a meeting is being held tomorrow to go over that paperwork with them and get questions answered.

PUBLIC / BOARD / STAFF COMMENTS:

Meredith will be stepping down as a board member but remaining involved with Organization.

The business directory has been upgraded to allow business interaction, but is not entirely up to date with listings.

Meredith is working on an app for Main Street.

MOTION MADE BY WILES, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER KRAUS TO
ADJOURN AT 8:25 AM.
YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Alaina Kraus, Secretary