

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Board of Directors

Minutes of May 13, 2009*

Present: Peggy Brooker, Cathy Carson, Jesse Helm, Bob Ide, Toni Lussier, Dick Munroe, Drew Perkins, Randy Pryde, Kermit Wille and Tina Wulf

Excused: Liz Becher and Kate Sarosy

Resigned: Ron Wright

I. **Call to Order** – Chairman Drew Perkins called the regular May Board meeting to order at 11:45 p.m.

II. **Public Comment** - none

III. **City Report** – Liz and Kate were absent. Liz provided a written report which Tina handed out and summarized

IV. **Approval of April 15, 2009 Minutes**

Motion, Second, Passed (MSP) (Dick Munroe, Cathy Carson)

V. **Financial Report**

Treasurer Munroe reported there was nothing unusual that warranted discussion in the financial for April the financials for April appear normal. He called for questions. Hearing none, the board moved for approval.

VI. **Approval of April Financial Reports**

Motion, Second, Passed (MSP) (Jesse Helm, Kermit Wille)

VII. **Director's Report** – Tina summarized the written report attached to the packet. She held off on discussing the “Streets as Places” training in NY to allow more time for the Wolcott presentation and tour.

VIII. **New Business**

Replacement for Ron Wright

The board moved to recommend John Johnson to replace Ron Wright.

Motion, Second, Passed (MSP) (Peggy Brooker, Jesse Helm)

At last month's meeting, Tom Forslund asked the Board to consider allowing the City to hold off on Center St. to move forward with Collins Street enhancements, which encourage slower traffic speeds and development. Board discussed the subject and what to do with the \$100,000 set aside for the project. Tina shared the idea of painting the hourly parking in the garage. The City's estimate for this is \$100,000. Peggy said the City and the Chamber should be encouraged to partner with the DDA, as they would benefit as much if not more than the DDA from such an improvement project. Bob concurred and said, "Rising tides float all boats." It was suggested the DDA offer to contribute \$25,000 to get the project going and ask the City and the Chamber to begin the project and ask the City and Chamber to match funds over time until the entire garage is painted. Discussion on the \$100,000 for capital improvements was tabled for further discussion at the June Board meeting when the Board reviews the 2009-2010 budget proposal.

Civic Auditorium Support – The Board decided not to take a position on the issue since the location is still undetermined.

IX. **Old Business**

Wyoming Main Street – Both the proposed budget and the revised By-laws have been crafted to allow for the adoption of the Wyoming Main Street program, should the Board move in that direction.

By-Laws – Chairman Perkins asked the Board to review and submit any revisions to the proposed By-laws to Tina within the next two weeks. The By-laws will be voted on at the June meeting.

"The Efficacy of OvoControl P" is questionable, per a report from USDA/APHIS Mike Pipas. Chairman Perkins suggested the Board avoid action in regards to trying the costly product.

Joy of Life bricks and raffle ticket sales are slow. Chairman encouraged members to sell their tickets and get their returns in to the office soon. Jesse asked if Tina had received any recent inquires from customers he has sent over.

- X. Chairman Perkins **adjourned** the meeting at 12:30 p.m.
- XI. Chairman Perkins turned it over to Charles Walsh for a PowerPoint **presentation** of his and Heather Rupp's background and their vision for The Wolcott Galleria. Several Galleria tenants shared their role, business plan, and commitment to their collaborative, entrepreneurial business setup. A **tour** followed.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Wulf, Executive Director

* A compact disc recording of this meeting has been placed in the DDA Minutes. The CD can be played using both DR-02 Software, Real Play and Windows Media Player.