

## **BID MINUTES**

**February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Members present:** Bob Duxstad, Sherrill Kelly, Ryan Wilson, Mike Doyle, Kim Lee, Dave Riese, Cherie Hughes, Jean Tullett.

**Members absent:** Jim Finley, Chuck Radke.

**Guests:** Barb Nelson, Tom Kelly.

The BID Committee met at 5.30 p.m. at the Green County Courthouse. President Bob Duxstad called the meeting to order. A motion to approve the Minutes of Jan 13<sup>th</sup> was made by Mike Doyle, seconded by Sherrill Kelly and carried by unanimous vote.

**FINANCE** - A motion was made by Mike Doyle to authorize the transfer of \$27,500.00 to Main Street from the BID account. Motion seconded by Kim Lee and carried by unanimous vote.

**MAIN STREET** - Barb Nelson reported she is working with Pam Christopher from MCCI on a Streetscape Task Force. Booklets are being distributed to all businesses around the Square giving contact information on who to call in case of problems. Block captains will be distributing updates on the reconstruction.

**BID/MAIN STREET BOUNDARIES** - Bob Duxstad explained the process necessary to expand the BID boundaries. Firstly a petition letter must be sent to City Hall signed by a property owner or owners. A new Operating Plan for 2010 will need to be submitted to the Planning Commission and then every property owner in the new district must be notified by certified mail.

**CHEESE CENTER - DOWNTOWN** - Davie Riese reported a meeting had been held last week to decide how to get this idea moving ahead. Another meeting is planned for Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup> with Cara Carper – UW Community Resource Development Educator facilitating. When a decision is reached as to what should comprise the new downtown center then a business plan will be developed.

**SNOW REMOVAL** - Business owners were happy with the new method of snow removal on a weekend – that is to plow it to the inside row of meters. A motion was made by Sherrill Kelly that the Mayor, the Street Department and the City Council be informed of the improvement and request that they consider making the change every time it snows. Motion seconded by Mike Doyle and carried by unanimous vote.

**PARKING** - Ryan Wilson reported the City Council had passed a Resolution to remove all the parking meters around the Square just prior to the reconstruction.

At the present time there is to be no regulation or charge for parking once the meters are removed.

Ryan suggested the BID committee consider the idea of making the diagonal parking around the exterior of the square a "back in – pull out". This could be tried as an experiment as it is considered to be safer in many respects. Ryan will present this idea to the Safety Committee at City Hall.

**STREETSCAPE** - The new water line project will be going out for bids and it is hoped to start the process by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Drinking fountains will be added to all 4 sides of the Square and these will be adapted to allow for the attachment of a hose for landscape watering.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING** - Bob Duxstad would like to hold a strategic planning session to decide on BID's role, its mission and future projects. The date was set for April 21<sup>st</sup>. at 5.15 p.m. at one of the local banks. Cara Carper will be asked to facilitate the session.

**ANNUAL REPORT 2008** - A motion to accept the Annual Report for 2008 as presented was made by Ryan Wilson, seconded by Mike Doyle and carried by unanimous vote.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** - Ryan Wilson would like to discuss landscaping and the maintenance thereof.

Dave Riese would like to continue the discussion of the messy dumpsters in the alleys and Spring Square Alley in particular.

**ADJOURN** - A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6.50 p.m. was made by Dave Riese, seconded by Cherie Hughes and carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Tullett,  
Secretary/Treasurer