

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

April 5, 2019

Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Jeff Fannin and Tom Winning, Lynn Koogle, and Mike Kuhn

ALSO PRESENT: Judy Gilleland, City Manager and Pat Higgins, City Grant Writer

ABSENT Mark Heistand,

MINUTES:

Tom Winning called the meeting to order. The February meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Jeff Fannin and Second by Mike Kuhn.

Tom continued the meeting by reviewing the following business:

Façade Improvement Program - Pat began the discussion reviewing the five applications received to date. The following applications were approved by a motion of the committee as follows:

1. 47 West Center Street, Approved with a motion from Mike Kuhn and a second by Lynn Koogle. Tom Winning abstained due to being on the board of the applicant.
2. 115 North Plum Street, approved with a motion by Mike Kuhn and a second by Lynn Koogle.
3. 18 North Main Street, approved with a motion by Jeff Fannin and a second from Mike Kuhn.

At this point in the meeting, Mike Kuhn excused himself to no longer be part of the review process on the remaining two applications.

4. 2 West Center Street, Approved contingent upon proof of paying city taxes with a motion from Lynn Koogle and a second with Jeff Fannin.
5. 26 West Center Street, approved with a motion from Lynn Koogle and second by Jeff Fannin.

Tom Winning mentioned he has been in contact with the Masonic Temple to determine their interest in participating. Jeff indicated he reached out to The Florentine Hotel.

A brief discussion regarding the next meeting date and the committee decided unless needed the April meeting would be canceled.

With no further business the meeting concluded at 3:07pm.

Submitted by:

Patricia M. Higgins, ED Consultant

The Municipality of Germantown City Beautiful Commission met on June 13, 2019 at the Depot. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. and in attendance was Kristy Alsip, Robin Alsip, Tim Johnson & Amanda Latsko. Absent was council liaison Rick Reed.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes were approved with no corrections needed.

Old Business:

- There was no May meeting to discuss CBC business but committee members planted flowers at the new city building on May 28th.
- Robin had to reach out to the Germantown Press since they did not attend the May Council meeting to get pictures of the coloring contest winners. They initially only put a picture supplied by the city office with no caption. Update was made and copies were sent to the parents.
- The Press also advised that they could not make a correction from the Christmas coloring contest where they put the boy's grades incorrectly.

New Business:

- Tim presented information he acquired from Montgomery County regarding a community trash pick-up day. October 5th and 6th are days available if we would need a large dumpster- this would be used if we needed to throw away trash like old tires or large waste. We are not sure that we will need a large dumpster and are hoping to organize a day late the summer/early fall and have enough volunteers to send groups to different quadrants around the city.
- Kristy will post a poll on Facebook to get feedback from the community on who would be interested in joining for the trash pick-up day, as well as a post about the Fix-Up award and asking for nominations for that and flower displays.
- Tim also presented two new ideas to propose to the city: a Dog Park and a Community Garden. With inspiration from a park he viewed in Lewisburg he researched information and found there are grants available for communities that want to have a dog park. He left a message for the contact at Royal Canin who sponsors the West Alex dog park. He will do further research and discuss with Rick Reed to try and bring up during a council meeting.

July 18th at 6:00 p.m. will be a work session meeting for the committee to strip all the tomato cage Christmas trees and evaluate condition prior to the upcoming season.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,