

Minutes

August 24, 2017

A meeting of the St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District board of directors was held on Thursday, August 24, 2017 from 8:34 am to 9:19 am at the Allied Arts Council conference room, 128 S. 8<sup>th</sup> St. Directors present were: Ron Barbosa, Pat Dillon, John Spencer, Lee Sawyer and Rhabecca Boerkircher. Directors absent were: Bobbi Jo Hausman, Teresa Fankhauser and Royce Balak.

**Call to Order:** Chairman, John Spencer called the meeting to order at 8:34 am.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Ron Barbosa made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as written. Lee Sawyer seconded the motion and the board voted in favor (4-0).

**Financial Report:** After discussion by the board, Lee Sawyer made a motion to approve the financial report. Pat Dillon seconded the motion and the board voted in favor (4-0).

**Approval of Tax Rate:** John Spencer explained Brian Engle's response about why the tax rate was lower. The good news is that the assessed valuation of the district has increased. The tax is determined on a mathematical formula. When the assessed value goes up the tax goes down to produce the same number. After the explanation, John Spencer made a motion to approve the tax rate. Ron Barbosa seconded the motion and the board voted in favor.

**Open Door Food Kitchen Project:** Pat Dillon told the board that the executive director of the Open Door Food Kitchen, Dan Moyer resigned. One of the coolers at the kitchen has quit and they are trying to figure out whether to replace it. The bank account is open and they are close to raising their goal for the project. The plans should be ready this week and they are planning a ground breaking around the first of the year. The project should commence in the spring.

**Mosaic Update:** Pat Dillon gave the board an update on the Mosaic Life Care projects downtown. The retail/parking facility is ahead of schedule and if the weather holds out could be done around Thanksgiving. The remodel of the space for Longboards in the German-American Bank building has begun and they hope to be open in the late fall. There is still interest in a tenant for the Plymouth Building.

**Bike Share Program:** Rhabecca Boerkircher told the board that they have been having some issues with the new bike share program. Individuals are not following the rules and returning the bikes to the bike racks. Ron Barbosa told the board that the city modeled the program off the program in Manhattan, Kansas.

**Other Business:**

**Felix Street Square Plan:** Rhabecca Boerkircher told the board that they are looking at ways to pay for the plan. The board asked her to email them a list of the individuals who served on the committee to formulate the plan.

**Adjourn:** Pat Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 am. Lee Sawyer seconded the motion and the board voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rhabecca Boerkircher". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rhabecca Boerkircher  
Executive Director