

4-3-19

DNN Board of Directors Minutes

Present: George Dusenbury, Betty Blondeau, Lisa Schreiber, Jim Diez, Tom Frangos, Buddy Harrell, Pete Pfeiffer, Kathie Gannon.

George called meeting to Order at 6:30. Minutes from February were Approved. **The October Minutes need to be emailed to all and Action taken to Approve those at our next meeting.**

Committee Reports –

Treasurer – Tom - No Change

Public Safety – Pete- The committee delivered their written comments on scooters to the City meeting on scooters. They see no action toward a NO scooter policy. City steered comments toward How Many? And if 1 or more companies? Meeting designed to control comment. With policy to allow we will need to make sure not on sidewalks and enforcement.

City put \$\$ in Budget for Sidewalks BUT none in downtown. They did do some maintenance to smooth down high spots but more work is needed. Kroger crossing issue has NOT been addressed.

Greenspace – Betty – Ed met with the City about doing a Plan for the Trinity space. Reviewed his concept. All felt it was too extensive and too expensive for a temporary Park. Betty will talk to Ed and we'll discuss at next meeting. FYI – Save Decatur Trees continues to push for tree ordinance improvements.

Communication – Jim – Website is being repopulated; send Jim your Committee info including meeting date if different from what is on now. Will add basic City phone numbers.

Planning – Buddy- Going to start from the bottom up as we ready for new strategic plan and continue to point out need for Downtown Plan in addition to City's vague Goals like in the last Strategic Plan. Will start with Angela Threadgill. Currently doing the RFP for public process consultants. We should consider sending a letter to the Commission to remind them that 4 out of 5 of them have said we need a downtown plan.

Next General Meeting Idea – Get ARC/Mike Alexander to help us do an interactive kind of “demonstration” to help illustrate the difference between the City's Strategic /Goals Plan and a Downtown Plan. Need to begin an interactive way to clarify what we want Downtown to be.

Next General Meeting is May 8. We will take off the Summer so next General Meeting is September. Board meets August 7th, 6:30 – NEED A PLACE!