

Selinsgrove Projects, Inc. Board of Director's Meeting
May 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Handlan at 6:01 pm.

Attendance: Present: Joyce Hendricks, Carol Handlan, Sara Lauver, Rich Mease, Sean Christine and Jessica Newell

Guests: Lindsay Trick, Paul Williams

Not Present: John Lazur, Brian Ross, Malcolm Derk

Approval of Board Member Malcolm Derk. A motion was made to accept Malcolm Derk as SPI Board Member. First by Joyce Hendricks. Second by Rich Mease. Motion passed.

A motion to accept the April minutes as presented. First by Sara Lauver. Second by Joyce Hendricks. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: A financial report was provided by Brian Ross. He was unable to attend the meeting due to services at Susquehanna University. A motion was made to accept the financials as submitted. First by Sean Christine. Second by Rich Mease. Motion passed.

Comments from the Public: Paul Williams reported that the borough approved the comprehensive plan. The planning commission will be reviewing the off street parking plan. Eastern Industries was awarded the contract for the work in downtown Selinsgrove. Reed Bachman will be attending the pre construction meeting this week. Helen Walter of the Selinsgrove Area Chamber will be having a speaker at Tuesday's SACC meeting discussing the project. Downtown businesses are concerned about parking. Most of the work will be done at night which should help curtail parking problems.

Administrative update: Lindsay Trick reported that we are receiving applications for the Market Street Festival. She is also working on website review, and posting all of the music series to the website, SRVVB's website, in addition to her daily responsibilities.

Promotions Committee: Carol Handlan reported that Joyce Hendricks will be running the meeting which is coming up on Monday. They will be discussing billboard ideas both annual and special holiday promotions. The Economic Revitalization Committee (ERC) is exploring a more permanent billboard by RT522 and Market Street. Carol is doing research on this possibility. The article for the next Local Gems publication will be completed by Joyce. Carol is working with Ms. Catherman, the woman who does the annual brochure on Selinsgrove. It was noted that SPI has been having consistent coverage in the newspapers in recent months.

Economic Revitalization Committee: Carol Handlan reported that the last meeting went well. Malcolm is revamping our façade grant application, we hope to have this available for review at our next meeting. We are offering the program to businesses only. Robert Grayston and Gerald Stauffer are looking at possible options for SPI storage. SPI made it perfectly clear that we cannot afford a monthly fee of \$169 that was quoted after an offering of six months free for non-profits.

More snowflakes have been ordered so we will need additional storage space.

A Chakra shop will be going in by the Commons. 18th Street Financial Services moved into the old Stereo Shop. Sushihanna is not happening now. Taste of Philly may have a buyer, but the current owner is closing. Matt Veins owns the building, will be renting it out, a few other people are looking at adding restaurants to the downtown. There is some interest in the Kleinbauer building. Wilbur Vault building has been sold and it is anticipated that a distillery will go in there.

Scholarship recipient: Carol Handlan reported that Kenneth Gabrielson III was selected as the 2018 SAHS scholarship recipient. We only received six (6) applicants this year and Carol shared that the Selinsgrove Area Rotary Club only received eleven (11) applicants for their four (4) \$4,000 scholarships. As such, Carol spoke with the guidance department about possible seminars to assist the classes of 2019 and 2020 on how to obtain free private monies for their post-secondary education.

Farmers' Market: Sara Lauver reported that opening day was busy despite the weather. They sold a lot of mugs and will be getting the funds to Lindsay or Carol for deposit. Special thanks to the Kind Café, crepe lady and Wicked Dog all of which were successful on opening day. Another application came in today, the market is pretty much full for this year.

Discovery Trails: No report

Selinsgrove Area Chamber of Commerce: No report

Hops, Vines & Wines Festival: Carol Handlan reported that there are only 168 tickets left for sale but they expect to sell out before the day of the event. 33 brewers, wineries and distilleries have signed up so far, expect a total around 45.

Market Street Festival: Joyce Hendricks reported that vendor applications are coming in, and a meeting will be scheduled with Paul Williams & Chief Garlock, Jim Jones to ensure everything is in order for the festival.

Halloween Parade: No report

Quest for Que: Carol Handlan reported that the event was successful. She was present throughout the event. There were several vendors and food vendors on the Isle of Que. This event will take place again next year. Susquehanna University played a big role in the event, many knowledgeable individuals were on hand and able to answer any questions posed to them.

Clock restoration: Carol Handlan reported that more emails have been coming in from the clock company about restoration. Cheri DeSiena and Bo Fasold are helping with the process, additional damage was found. Rust was bad, we are lucky the clock came down when it did, we could've been faced with more damage had we waited. There are several options for repairs. The group is meeting tomorrow to go over the next steps. We've ceased work for the time being. Carol will keep the group informed. Need to set up a trust for annual clock maintenance.

Pool 50th Anniversary Celebration: Rich Mease reported there will be a meet and greet on the night of Friday, June 29th, honoring the people who were involved from 1968-present. On Saturday, June 30th, there will be a 5k race. Saturday and Sunday there will be free admission to the pool for everyone, the radio station will also be present on both Saturday and Sunday. Some local businesses made donations to the pool so that their employees can obtain pool passes, Selinsgrove Area Recreation Inc. (SARI) is hoping this program will continue and grow to include additional organizations in Shamokin Dam.

Mallet Madness: Carol Handlan reported that she and her husband, Jim, are sponsoring a team from SPI again, for the third consecutive year. SPI will automatically receive \$100, if our team wins we could win up to \$1000. Additional teams of two are still needed for the tournament. Carol Norwood and Jan Fullmer will represent SPI team.

The Selinsgrove Area High School Alumni Association (SAHSAA) will be holding their slow bike race in conjunction with the Mallet Madness event this year. If anyone is interested in participating, let Carol or Lindsay know.

With no further business, Carol Handlan adjourned the meeting at 6:47 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Trick
Administrative Support