

DLDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – February 26, 2014

Present: Steve Neratko - Chair, Rosemary Banach, Jim Muscato, Stephanie Kiyak, Judy Presutti, Joe Becerra, and Steve Sek. Also present were Mayor Anthony J. Dolce (President), Timothy Gornikiewicz (Treasurer), Lacy Lawrence (Secretary), and Ron Szot (Attorney).

Absent: Margie Dye, and Andy Gonzalez.

Meeting was called to order by Steve Neratko at 11:05 AM, located in the Mayor's Conference Room.

Consent Agenda:

Tim Gornikiewicz discussed the Treasurer's Report. His computer is down right now so he put some numbers together to the best of his knowledge, and he will have the report ready for next month's meeting. G&E's loan is now paid completely off. Lightning Circuits is behind. They still owe February's loan payment and a letter was sent from the attorney notifying them of this situation. Chautauqua Woods, and both Demetri's loans are paid to current dates.

Lacy Lawrence gave an update on the Festival's Reports. Lacy stated their first meeting was held on February 6th 2014. It was a general overview. Last year's dates and as well as this year's events dates were discussed at the meeting as well as the website, sponsorship packets, and the meeting scheduled. She said next month's meeting would discuss social media, and Picnic in the Point.

The consent agenda was not approved and it was decided that it will be passed at the next meeting when the Treasurer's Report could be provided.

Old/Unfinished Business: none

New Business:

Steve Neratko explained Chautauqua County Health Network was interested in a partnership with DLDC. They have a grant available for \$4,300.00 to help assist with our Farmer's Market and community gardens. These funds need to be utilized by March 31st of this year. We are trying to find someone to help with the management of this project. This funding can be used to pay for this position also. Steve Neratko explained we have even considered seeing if there is an opportunity to use their funding to help tie in our bike paths with the county bike trails. Judi Presutti mentioned she is involved with a community garden by the High Rise and would love to try and collaborate their efforts in the future. She needs help with finding someone who would like to maintain the garden.

Prefiled Resolution #3-2014

Authorizing agreement with Chautauqua County Health Network for creating healthy places to live work and play program. Judi Presutti made a motion to approve, seconded by Bob Fritzinger. Carried, all voting aye.

Steve Neratko explained the community gardens project. He stated the beds would be 3ft by 3ft. Stephanie Kiyak stated JCC was helping make these raised beds. Community residents would then lease/rent one to use. It would give people an opportunity to be able to start a garden that might not have the space available at their own property. Our DLDC and City insurance would be able to

cover the liability and give a policy. Rosemary Banach asked what happens if their gardens get ruined or stolen from. Steph Kiyak stated Jamestown has had no instances of vandalism. They will sign an agreement with us understanding that they will not be compensated for such instances. Fees have not been discussed yet. CCHN is going to help us with all of our policies that will allow this project take place. Joe Becerra asked if any of the local farmers were approached to help with this project. Steph Kiyak said no and it was a great idea for Joe to follow up on.

CDBG sub-recipient agreement was then discussed. Steve Neratko explained HUD has stated we should have passed an agreement and it is a requirement. Steve made note this agreement was put together back in September and it has since then changed. We now have been told since our funds, CDBG Loans and DLDC Loans, have been comingled they are going to be considered all HUD loans and this agreement will not reflect any of the changes. So rather than passing this agreement for it to be in place, we need to adjust the changes. Steve Neratko stated they will get ahold of Jill Casey to ask for advice on how to go forward with this.

The budget report from the PARIS system was handed out. We are still waiting for 2012 numbers and it is zeroed out on the report. We are waiting to receive our finished audit from 2012. 2013 numbers are estimated from our adopted budget because we are still waiting the 2013 audit also. The audit is being done by Toski & Co. This has been delayed due to staff changes in their business and our lack of documents from the DLDC.

Steve Nerakto discussed interest in properties. Steve Neratko said there are 2 interested people for 523 Columbus Ave. They are neighbors and would like to use as a yard or parking spaces. Neither has given a number as to what they are willing to pay yet. Steve said the property is not very big. Rosemary asked if we have appraised the property, and Steve said he did not think so. He will look into how much the price would be to get an appraisal. We have been receiving warnings from zoning/code enforcement about the property being used as parking. 66 E Second St. property has potential for us to work with land bank to demo the house on that property. A neighbor has also shown interest in that property.

Bob Fritzinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Judi Presutti. Carried, all voting aye.