**Windom Board Meeting Minutes**

**12 July 2018**

**Attending Board Members**: Steve Rawlins (P), Becky McIntosh (T), Brian O’Shea (VP) [by phone], Tim Olson, Veronica Walther

**Additional attendees:** John (Windom Resident), Jennifer Waisanen (MPD),Kathy Waite (MPD), Jeremy Schroeder (City Councilman), Mario Vargas (Administrative Coordinator)

**Absent**: Pat Soulak, Patrick Barrett Jacky Junek (S), Pete Johnson

1. Steve Rawlins called meeting to order at 7:05pm.
2. Meeting minutes from June 2018 were unanimously approved by the Board.
3. Jennifer presented the latest Windom crime report and provided a Holiday Tips sheet.
   * + - 1. New program being used with some missing features compared to last program. You can no longer get Action Alerts for your neighborhood.
         2. July was marked by three burglaries and one retail shop theft incident.
         3. Discussion ensued regarding the recent sale/purchase of Metro Motel and license suspension/nonrenewal issue. Deadline coming up will be last allowable deadline - they will not be able to operate after this.
         4. Reminder to always report even minor crimes.
4. Kathy noted that September 25 is the appeals date for the motels. This is the last date they can appeal or sell beforehand, otherwise license will be revoked. Unsure when process will close. Noted concerns about construction traffic.
5. Committee Reports
   1. Steve reported that he’d signed the City contract for the Windom business façade matching-grant program. In the process, discovered a glitch in the delivery of UPS mail that should be resolved by now. Business grant program just needs to go through city legal to finalize. Mario confirms that this should happen in the next week or so and will then be ready to go.
   2. Mario provided a home loan update from Jim Hasnik (CEE). Two applicants were rejected due to them not meeting the guidelines but were referred to CEE program. Two additional applicants are in the loan ‘pipeline’ being reviewed. Program being advertised on social media - Facebook and Nextdoor. Program ready to go as of June 7, 2018.
   3. Brian reported that the garden entry lock and water hydrant locking access problems had been resolved. There is a new gate with new gate posts. The garden is up in full swing for the summer. A few plots are still open! There is a hole in a hose that will need to be replaced.
   4. Becky noted that finance is doing well.
   5. Mario presented the annual gala/silent auction budget proposal for Pat S (Board Member), including the need to support WCC activities including Tots Rock, Annual Meeting, Windom Reads. After a group discussion, the Board tabled discussion on the annual gala and silent auction event. Generally in favor of having a fund raiser and this is a good effort, but concerned centered around some of the logistics, including potential post to the community and planning time. Suggestion to brainstorm and plan a fundraising event as a board. Also consider other ways to fundraise - solicit donations for our neighborhood nonprofit or allow people to donate extra over admission fee of Tots Rock, Windom Reads.
   6. Mario presented that planning for the Neighborhood Conversations program and House Meetings is underway.
6. Jeremy Schroeder provided an update with regards to City’s 2040 planning process and local listening sessions that are being planned.
7. Other Discussion
   1. Phil’s Barber Shop has closed after 30 years. The space is being turned into a community gathering space. Consider a recognition of Phil's 30 years in service?
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm. Note summer hours - building closes at 8:00pm.