

MDBA General Membership Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, May 27, 2009

Lauri Ireland called the meeting to order at 8:04 am.

1. Members present introduced themselves
2. Ireland Introduced the newest MDBA Board member, Jon Burroughs who has been appointed to fill the remainder of Jacqueline Bradley's term
3. Patty Aspin reported that the MDBA, budget is on schedule and the organization has money in the check book.
4. Committee updates
 - a. Marketing Committee - reported that efforts are underway to improve sidewalk sales.
 - b. Physical Improvements – no meetings have been held
 - c. Business Liaison – the committee is working on the Legacy awards, and ribbon cuttings.
5. Event Updates
 - a. Monday Farmers Market - It was reported that the Chamber of Commerce is partnering with the MDBA to bring a Monday evening Farmers Market to Main St. Members were asked to sign up to help sponsor give away bags for the market.
 - b. Other events were discussed.
 - c. It was noted that RIVERDAYS would be July 17 – 19 not 16 – 19 as shown on the agenda
6. New businesses were announced. No Business closures were announced.
7. New Business
 - a. Deeva Massey made a presentation on how members can update their individual pages on the downtown website. She also showed members how to list specials on the site.
 - b. The new coupon books were discussed – no members had received any for usage.
 - c. Staff reported that the City Council had renewed the SARA Special Assessment for another two years at a recent meeting. That action provides stable funding for the MDBA for the next two years.
8. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 am