

Heart of the City Board
March 18, 2009
LaMuro home – 316 Craig Street

MINUTES

Present: Jill Ottow, John Ottow, Leslie LaMuro, Amy Lutzke, Paul Hable, Kitty Welch, Cynthia Holt, Joan Callan, Mary Linton, Kathy Kauffman

Call meeting to Order – President LaMuro called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Approve minutes – the minutes of the February 9, 2009 meeting were approved by unanimous motion. (Kauffman, Hable)

By-Law amendments – Jill Ottow presented the amendments to the by-laws that the incorporation work group has developed. A motion to move the dissolution clause (Article III Section B) to the Articles of Incorporation was approved unanimously. (Holt, Lutzke) A motion to add the amendments clause (Article XI) to the Articles of Incorporation was approved unanimously. (Holt, Hable) The By-Law amendments to add Article VII, VIII and amend Article X B were moved through their first and second reading. It was noted that a correction to a typo needed to be made in Article III A of the By-Laws. The group discussed record retention procedures. A motion to authorize the secretary to collect and store relevant documents and the place electronic versions on googledocs in PDF format was approved unanimously. (Lutzke, Hable)

Pot Luck – April 13 – Leslie will start an evite invitation to invite Chamber members, Industrial Development Corp, City Administrators – John Wilmet, Jeff Woods, Tom Kramp, Rudy Bushcott, and Scott Lastusky. Kitty will check to see if the Carpe is available again for the location.

Treasurer's Report - Paul Hable reported that the January 26, 2009 balance was \$2591.46

Ed & Out Report – a press release on the alternative transportation fair was in the Daily Union. Kitty suggested that Heart of the City make a donation to Jefferson County to offset the cost of the Clean Sweep program. A motion to provide \$200 to Jefferson County for the 2009 Clean Sweep program was approved unanimously. (Welch, Lutzke) Kitty will contact the Daily Union to get a photo of a member of HOC handing the check to county staff in the paper. The idea to develop a community comment forum was proposed. Kitty and Bill will explore the feasibility of this idea.

Government Relations Report – no report

Projects – The Alternative Transportation Fair is ready to go on Saturday, March 21. At least 6 groups are confirmed. A motion to reimburse HOC members for the cost to take all the presenters from the AT Fair to lunch was approved unanimously. (John Ottow, Linton)

Joan and Cynthia gave an update on the garbage can recycling project. It is taking time, the art teacher can only handle so many cans at once. It would be good if when it was time to prep another group of cans if more volunteers were available to help.

Fundraising Report – Amy will include a membership appeal in the April 1 InfoBits.

Programming Report – The Earth Day event at the VyMac building is shaping up. It will be a community event involving a Farmer’s Market preview, food vendors and lots of info. HOC would like food vendors to use compostable dishes. A motion to subsidize the cost of the compostable dishware for May 2 event food vendors was approved unanimously. (Lutzke, Kauffman)

February – Jeff Woods talk at Library very informative. Nice turnout.

A motion to adjourn was approved unanimously at 8:34 p.m. (Linton, Lutzke)

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Lutzke, Secretary