## Minutes for Arlington BID Meeting August 23, 2023

Attendance: Jay Baisley, Ross Hardisty, Bob Legacy, Rhianna Mirabello, Michelle Morrill, Jacob Reckess, Ann Shershin, and Bryan Swarthout.

Meeting called to order at 9:07 a.m.

<u>Minutes</u>: Minutes from the July meeting was read. Bryan Swarthout made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Rhianna Mirabello seconded the motion, and it passed 7 to 0.

**Landscaping:** The trees that need to be trimmed and dead trees to be removed have been marked. Santos Landscaping will be trimming the trees and Town Highway will be removing the dead trees.

**Election Committee:** Three people are needed for the election committee. Ann Shershin, Bryan Swarthout, Michelle Morrill, and Ross Hardisty have agreed to be on the committee. They will be finding a location and date to meet.

**Budget:** We discussed hiring an assistant to the director and/or an events coordinator. We also discussed getting street cleaning and litter pick up services. We have 3 big events each year. We discuss whether we are getting the impact we want from these events and whether it brings people back to the Arlington businesses. We talked about the Farmer's Market and that it makes money for the BID. We discussed doing smaller monthly events and whether we can spend less on the large events. We discussed having an extra meeting to evaluate the events that the BID does and the direction the BID should be taking. We also considered doing a survey on the events.

**Insurance:** We discussed adding property insurance to cover the holiday decorations held in the old town hall building and the kiosk. Cost is \$400 per year. We need to ask how much the deductible is.

**501(c)3:** Bob Legacy is providing information to the attorney for the application. It is hoped to submit the application in the middle of September and receive the results by the end of the year.

**Inn & Institute:** The plan is for the buildings to be opened the summer of 2024. Bryan Swarthout is arranging for us to tour the construction site.

**The Arlington:** The building in the front is now open and accepting residents. Twenty apartments are available and 43 have been leased. There are 2 restaurants planning to move into the retail space and 2 more interested. A hair salon and massage business will be moving into the lower level of the school building.

**<u>People USA</u>**: People USA develop programs and jobs for people with disabilities. We could reach out to them about picking up trash along the sidewalks and roads in the BID.

**Formosa:** The final notice to clean up in front of the former Formosa restaurant on Main Street has been sent to the owner and the complaint will be going to court.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m. Minutes submitted by Ann Shershin