

Minutes for Arlington BID Meeting  
May 22, 2024

Attendance: Lt. Patrick Berry, Washington Cuzo, Rebecca Edwards, Ross Hardisty, Bob Legacy, Michelle Morrill, Jacob Reckess, Ann Shershin, Bryan Swarthout, and Jon Vincitore.

Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the April meeting were read and corrected. Jon Vincitore made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Bryan Swarthout seconded the motion, and it passed with a vote of 8 to 0.

**Farmer's Market:** The Arlington Farmer's Market is beginning on June 6. There are currently 43 vendors. The plan is to line up the vendors along the sidewalk on Raymond Avenue. This will be easy for seniors with walkers and individuals in wheelchair to move along the sidewalk and attend the farm market. There are 3 food trucks and they will park in the no parking section on Raymond Avenue. The restaurant in the Institute will have specials and coupons and be open later in the summer. The town is requiring an events application (\$75 one time application fee) be completed and the fee (\$150 per market) be paid until the BID receives 501(c)(3) status. Hopefully, we will have 501(c)(3) status by June. The governance/trustee committee has been asked to review the code of conduct for the vendors at the farmer's market.

**Committees:** Ross Hardisty has made committee assignments and will attend the first meeting of each committee. Bryan Swarthout will chair the budget committee. The governance and events committees will have their initial meetings and decide then who the chair of each committee will be. Michelle Morrill has been asked to set up the governance committee meeting. April of 360 Management should be asked to join the events committee. Make a Wish will participate in the street fair.

**New Businesses:** Dutchess County Pride Center, Balletomania, and a furniture store have moved onto Main Street. Dumpling King has moved onto Raymond Avenue and Dutchess Optometry has moved into the ground floor of the former Arthur S. May school.

**Banking:** We currently have \$130,000 invested in CDs earning approximately 5% interest. There are \$25,000 CDs that mature every 3 months. We will continue rolling the CD's over until the funds are needed. We have \$50,000 set aside for the Main Street renovations.

**501(c)(3):** We are hopeful that we will receive our 501(c)(3) status by June 1. Pat Ryan is assisting by having the application walked thru the process. We need to look into writing grants once we have received the status.

**Vassar:** The Inn and Institute restaurant is going to open at the end of July or early August. There will be several events. As the Barrett Center is being built, there will be no construction parking on Collegeview Avenue. All construction vehicles shall be parked on where the tennis courts were.

**Storage:** We discussed where to store the BID's items. Storage in The Arlington school building first floor costs \$75 per month for 5 feet x 6 feet or \$105 per month for 7 feet by 8 feet. We need to inventory what we have.

Meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.  
Minutes submitted by Ann Shershin