

Minutes for Arlington BID Meeting
September 25, 2024

Attendance: Lt. Patrick Barry, James Doyle, Ross Hardisty, Weronika Jeziorski, Danny Petrizzo, Jacob Reckess, Ann Shershin, Tonya Speed, Bryan Swarthout, and Jon Vincitore.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes: Minutes from the August meeting were read. Bryan Swarthout made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Ross Hardisty seconded the motion, and it passed with a vote of 7 to 0.

Executive Director: Ross Hardisty is working on scheduling interviews over the next week or so.

Town Community Officers: Officers James Doyle and Weronika Jeziorski came to the meeting to introduce themselves. Their positions are funded by a grant. They will be walking around the business district and helping with life issues among the visitors and residents in the Arlington area.

501(c)(3): We need to reach out to Congressman Pat Ryan's office about the status of our 501(c)(3) application. We could call both offices. The event fee paid to the Town each week for the farmer's market will not be waived until we receive our 501(c)(3) status.

Events: The Street Fair was successful. A google form survey was emailed to all the vendors. The street fair broke even financially. We discussed estimating the number of people who attended by looking at drone footage.

Street Sweeping: We discussed getting pricing to get the streets swept.

Holiday Fest: We discussed the holiday fest and to only have the caravan this year. There will be no walking parade.

Heartwood: The ribbon cutting for the Heartwood will be Monday, September 30, at 12:00 p.m.

Governance: Steven Van Ostran of Balanced CBD and Elizabeth McBride of Betty's Originals are both interested in running for the vacant business owner position on the BID board. Both of their shops are located on Raymond Avenue. We discussed moving the election and annual meeting to November. It was decided to keep the annual meeting in October.

Benches: We discussed fundraising to get a bench in remembrance of Bob Legacy and where that bench could be located. We also discussed locations of existing benches in the BID and whether we need a no loitering ordinance.

Farmers' Market: Parking in the median on Raymond Avenue during the Farmers' Market has become a problem. The community officers will come thru during the farmers' market and remind visitors that there is no parking in the median.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.
Minutes submitted by Ann Shershin