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General Meeting Notes 04/18/05

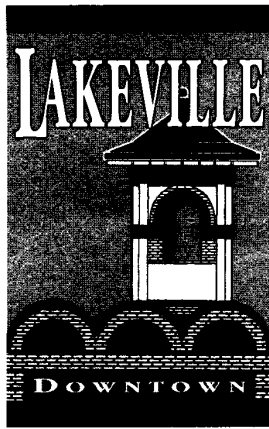
Attendees: Candy Retka, Paul Haglund, Larry Werner, Nancy P. Smith, Jody Braun, Linda Thierry, Chris Pommerenke, Kristina Clark, Jim Isaacson, Dave Olson, Laurie Rieb, Tom Barnard

City of Lakeville Update

In response to the City of Lakeville's approved 2005-20070 Strategic Plan for Economic Development the city has begun the process to develop a long-term comprehensive plan to promote the economic viability while retaining its unique and historical characteristics. Steve Mielke, Dave Olson, and Linda Thierry have been meeting with developers, experienced in developing downtown areas, and have met with several key downtown anchor businesses (businesses that draw a lot of traffic into the Downtown area) – Enggren's Market, US Post Office, Ace Hardware, District 194, and the Lakeville Area Arts Center. These meetings were for the purpose of getting ideas and thoughts these organizations had regarding the redevelopment of Downtown. The next steps will include hiring a consultant and creating a community task force representing the various stakeholders including Downtown business owners, residents, etc.

The comprehensive plan will cover a wide range of issues including land use, a financial assessment, and parking and will provide us with a road map for the future of Downtown. This is very exciting for all of us!

(Amanda Schwabe has left the City of Lakeville and will be working with the City of Mankato. We wish her all the best and will miss her. Until a replacement is identified, Dave Olson or Steve Mielke will attend our meetings when updates are appropriate on this subject. Of course, Laurie Rieb will continue to keep us updated on city activities each month.)



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DLBA Board Members 2005

Gloria Belzer won a supervisor seat on the Eureka Township Board this past March. Gloria will be very busy in her new role so her ability to attend the weekly Executive Board meeting and the DLBA monthly meeting has become too large of a commitment. Gloria plans to continue to be a regular volunteer at our Downtown activities and of course a regular customer in Downtown. CONGRATULATIONS Gloria from all of us.

Darci Juniper has agreed to be our new Vice President. Darci brings to the Executive Board lots of energy and enthusiasm. She also provides another fresh perspective that benefits all of us. Welcome Darci.

DLBA Cooperative Advertising Program

Approximately 24 businesses have signed up to participate in the program. Look for the flyer in the April 30th edition of ThisWeek Life & Times.

This is a great example of what can grow out of someone's "idea" and become a real benefit to the Downtown businesses.

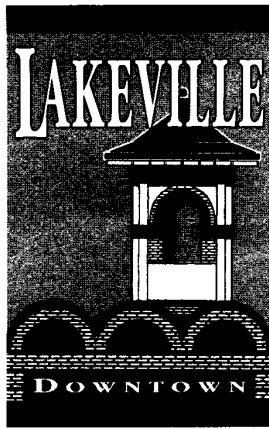
Downtown Planters

Volunteers needed – Tuesday, 5/10 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., meet in Pioneer Plaza Park. We need people to help plant the planters, and move them to their locations on Holyoke. Come dressed accordingly and bring a small shovel if you have one.

Chamber of Commerce News

- Lakeville Landscape & Home Expo & Consumer Showcase Expo on 4/9 was a huge success.
- General Membership Luncheon
Crystal Lake Golf Club
16725 Innsbrook Drive
"State of the City Address"
Presented by Steve Mielke, City Administrator
Cost: \$20/person
11:30 a.m. - Registration
12:00 noon - lunch

Lakeville Area Arts Center News



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- The Park & Recreation and Art Center 2005 Summer Events and Classes brochure has been mailed to Lakeville residents. Many new activities and classes offered.
- Monroe Crossing, a premier bluegrass band will be performing at the Arts Center on Saturday, 5/14. Heritage Links Catering will be offering a pre show dinner option.
- The Dakota Valley Symphony Orchestra will be performing 4/30 at 7:30 p.m. and on 5/1 at 2:00.
- Beer, wine and liquor can now be sold at the LAAC. This is a plus for some groups looking to rent the facility for private events.
- An electric line will be buried on the grounds of the Art Center. This will eliminate the need for a noisy, ugly generating when outdoor events are held.

City of Lakeville Update

- Argonne Village is moving forward.
- A new DR Horton housing development, Quail Ridge, was approved. The development will have 35 single homes and is located near Eastview Elementary.
- Final platte has been completed for the corner of Dodd and Cedar. The strip mall will include a CVS Pharmacy, a grocery store, a day care and office space.
- Harvesting of curly leaf pond weed will begin this summer in Orchard Lake.

Other

- The Ironman Bike Ride will be on Sunday, 4/26.
- If you have anything you would like in the May/June DLBA Newsletter I (Linda Thierry, dlba@frontiernet.net) need your input by April 29th.
- The Now & Then Singers from Lakeville High School will be performing at the Art Center on May 6th and 7th.
- The Community Action Council now has 24-hour-a-day phone coverage. This is a big benefit to many of the people that reach out in need to the CAC.
- Taste of Lakeville is Thursday, 5/5, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Art Center. This is the premier fundraiser for the Lakeville Rotary Club. Proceeds benefit the community in numerous ways. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and are available at the LAAC and Enggren's Market.
- Summer Intern – Larry Werner has the name of an individual interested in an internship this summer working in a Downtown area. If you have a need for temporary help – 1 hour or more this summer, talk to Larry.