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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 18, 2006

Attendees

Todd Bornhauser, Peter Falanga, Paul Haglund, Jim Isaacson, Mike Jetchick, Robert Joswiak, Bev Keeley, Adam Kienberger, Jon Koznick, Chris Pommerenke, Candy Retka, Jim Skelly, Nancy Smith and Judy Tschumper

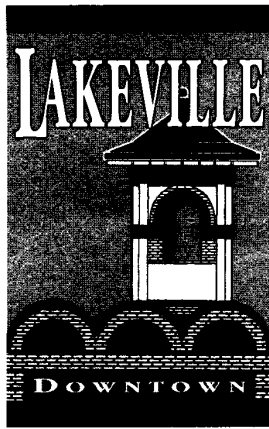
Facilitator – President Nancy Smith

September 20th Harvest Festival Update – Nancy Smith/Judy Tschumper

Volunteers are needed for the Harvest Festival on Wednesday, September 20th to set up, take down, sell food and beverages, tend the popcorn machine and assist Hermey the Clown. Peter Falanga has volunteered to pick up the fall decorations and provide his gazebo and Robert Joswiak will bring his popcorn machine to the park. A rundown of the day's events was described and flyers handed out.

City of Lakeville Update – Adam Kienberger

CVS Pharmacy, located at Dodd and Cedar Avenue, will open October 12th. The Blue Chips Sports Academy and Northfield Clinic projects were approved by the City Council. They will be located next to each other at the northeast corner of County Road 70 and Jacquard. The following items are included in the September 18th City Council Agenda: A business spotlight on BTD Manufacturing located in Airlake Industrial Park; consider approval of Kenyon Woods Apartments, east of 35W and 185th Street, proposed by Stonebridge Development of Apple Valley; Valley Lake 1st Addition that includes a new city liquor store and expansion of the park at Galaxie Avenue and County Road 46. The city's website is being updated that will enhance the economic development section and will list new commercial and industrial projects. This expanded version will be going live next month and be updated approximately every six weeks.



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Downtown Redevelopment Task Force Update – Nancy Smith/Adam Kienberger

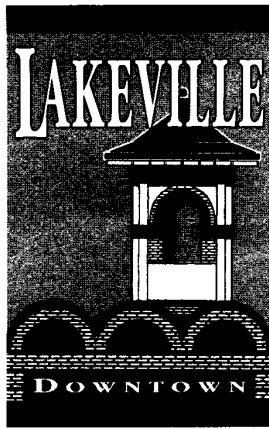
A meeting of the Redevelopment Task Force has been tentatively scheduled for Thursday, October 12th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Water Treatment Plant on 185th Street. The first thirty minutes are scheduled to respond to questions. The consultant is working on a draft plan to present to the Task Force. Darci Juniper and Nancy Smith are the representatives from the DLBA. The city's website on the Downtown Redevelopment has been updated on this matter. Closing on the Enggren's building by Grootwassink/Hotzler occurred on Thursday, September 14th. This building should be available for this year's Holiday on Main but other locations will need to be considered for future years. Valley Natural Foods has scheduled three focus group meetings, of 12-15 people each, for September 26, 28 and 30. The Valley Natural Foods Board of Directors is expected to make a decision by the end of September. The owner of Heritage Commons has received a letter of intent from Cub Foods.

Review of September 6th Strategy Session – Nancy Smith

Members were sent an outline of the Strategy Session results. The Executive Board would like to receive more ideas, input and clarification on plans for 2007. Peter Falanga reported that he had checked with Progressive Railway and it is not possible to do a rail event as he had proposed for Holiday on Main. It was suggested that there be an increased focus on business at Wednesday's on Main (WOM) allowing businesses to feature their companies at the events. At issue, however, is that many businesses are already closed during the time that WOM is scheduled.

Executive Board Vacancies – Nancy Smith

Nancy Smith and Paul Haglund have agreed to serve as president and vice president respectively. Peter Falanga and Kristina Clark have both agreed to serve as directors. The Advisory Board will have new member, Candy Retka, and Jon Koznick is willing to continue to serve on this board. The DLBA will be presenting their annual report to the City Council in November.



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Report on Downtown Lakeville 5K Dash Event – Jon Koznick

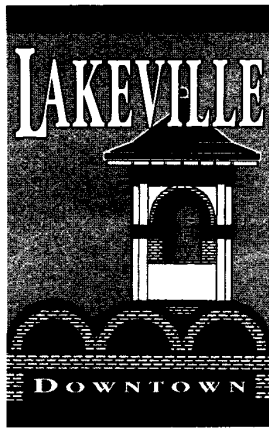
There were a lot of volunteers from the DLBA and the Rotary Club and Jon Koznick thanked everyone for their support. Reports from the runners indicated that it was a good course and a good event. There were thirty runners and, considering the weather, the turnout was good and indications are that next year will be even more successful now that a “recipe” has been established. The city was very helpful especially the Police and Public Works Departments. Linda Thierry was the coordinator of the event and did a great job. There was good support from downtown businesses that sponsored the event. The race results and photos have been posted on the DLBA website. An estimated crowd of eighty people was in attendance. Approximately \$500.00 was raised to support the Rotary’s Strive program. It is hoped that the date for next year’s 5K Dash can be established by the end of September to allow for posting in the Minnesota Distance Runner’s publication. A wrap-up meeting will be scheduled to define what worked well and improvements to be made for next year. Jon will be sending thanks you notes and a letter to the editor.

Schedule for Removing Downtown Planters – Nancy Smith/Peter Falanga

The date for removal of the planters is scheduled for 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 26th. People are asked to meet at Pioneer Park Plaza with the necessary tools to remove the plants. Anyone wishing to take a Butterfly plant home to re-plant is encouraged to do so and bring an appropriate container, etc. Peter Falanga has graciously volunteered his truck, trailer and other equipment to make this an easy task. A number of DLBA members volunteered to help with removing and storing the planters.

Lakeville Chamber of Commerce News – Todd Bornhauser

A Business After Hours is scheduled for September 30th at Applebee’s along with a Classic Car Show. The “State of the Schools” luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, September 27th at Heritage Links. There will be three candidate forums in October: School District – October



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Lakeville Chamber of Commerce News (cont'd)

3rd; City Council – October 10th and Mayoral Candidates – October 17th. All forums will be held at City Hall at 7:00 p.m. The chamber is seeking information and questions from members to submit to the various candidates.

Lakeville Area Arts Center News – Nancy Smith

The Art Fair held the weekend of September 16th and 17th was a great success with a large turnout.

ISD 194 Update – Jim Skelly

The dirt pile by McGuire School is the result of eight new tennis courts under construction. The source of funding is coming from the district's alternative fund. An informational presentation on the levy referendum is scheduled for Thursday, September 21st, 10:00 a.m. at the district office. The district's website has information on the new ice rink to be located in south Lakeville.

News from your Downtown Businesses – Chris Pommerenke

The Community Action Council (CAC) office will be closed the first week of October for remodeling. Staff will be available to respond to all phone calls made to CAC. They are in need of 12,000 square feet of space from October to December for their holiday Armful of Love collections.

NEXT MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 16TH – 6:00 P.M.