

CITY OF RAVENSWOOD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Monday, January 17, 2005

City Hall - 6:00 p.m.

Attendance: Kim Quillen, Brenda Carr, Mark Gorman, Earl Wolf, Sherry Gorman, Audrey Miller

Guests: Ali Thompson, Patty Hoschar, Mayor Roseberry

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Gorman

All present had read the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion to approve: Earl Wolf
Second: Kim Quillen

Treasurers Report - Sherry Gorman No changes in the balance since the previous month.
Money on hand: \$6412.51. Motion to approve: Brenda Carr Second: Earl Wolf

Vote: A motion was made by Audrey Miller for a subcommittee chairperson and one officer to approve expenditures up to \$200.00 between meetings to carry out activities that subcommittee would be handling. Second: Earl Wolfe Motion carried

Updates:

City Map:: Earl Wolf was working on the map Judy Wiseman gave him.

Transportation Enhancement (TE) and Recreation Trails: Mayor had met with Bill Robinson of the Highway Department. The engineering bids for the TE are due by Jan. 21. The bid selection will be made before the next meeting. The selecting firm will be invited to an RDA meeting. Another application has been submitted for a TE grant. No deed has been turned over to RDA for the property on Sand and Water Streets.

Fund Raising Activities: : A number of possible activities were mentioned including selling mulch in the spring and a quilt auction. Additional fund raising and civic events were discussed later during the subcommittee reports

CLG requirements have been met. Gorman will have more information at the next meeting. A grant for \$10000.00 has been submitted for a study to gain historic district (The district would be from Sycamore Street to the south edge of town, from the river to highway 56). The Historic Landmark Commission met the previous week and elected Lee Corder as their president.

Subcommittee reports

Downtown Revitalization and Landscape: Kim Quillen.

- a. She had contacted Project Graphics because the wrong brackets had been sent for the downtown banners.
- b. Proposed a second Saturday event be held to bring people in. Chamber of Commerce (Bob Staats, Pres.) and RDA would sponsor the event. April 23rd is county wide cleanup so it was suggested the 2 events be held on the same day.

c. Other possible activities: first Thursday to promote business and community spirit, Farmers market, car show, Ribs on the River, dinner theater or a dinner cruise. Business Recruitment, Retention and Tourism - Brenda Carr reported she had talked with Vicki Cummings at Down to Earth concerning the best plants to use in the planters. She will report at the next meeting the recommended plants and cost. Kim Quillen stated **Romantic Homes**, a national magazine, had contacted her about featuring her Christmas trees in next December's issue (out in October). They would also be mentioning other places in Ravenswood.

Infrastructure and Grants: Earl Wolf - A conference call would be held the next day to finalize details in gaining TIF status for Ravenswood.

Other Business

1. Web page has not been updated with information. The contract with Tyson Graphics expires in May. The domain name has not been turned over to RDA so the city attorney will be asked to write a letter to Tyson requesting this made done.

Solid Waste Authority - recycling trailers are placed by the city building next to Hartley's. An awning will be erected to help protect cardboard pieces. Things to recycle: aluminum, glass, paper, plastic.

Adjourn: motion by Brenda Carr Second: Earl Wolf

Audrey Miller
Secretary