



BDC Board Minutes

October 24, 2018; Taken by Lauren Nichols

Board members attending: Dan Barrett, Lauren Nichols, Jodi Lincoln, Ian Luconti, Robin Nitkulinec, Justine Coyne, Omar Soriano, Q Roth, Alix Levy, Larisa Murphy, Matt Ficorilli, Dan Warner **Staff:** Christina Howell
Guests: Molly Onufer

Call to Order: 6:33 p.m. by Dan Barrett

Announcements: Molly Onufer – Snow Angels program kick off; working on bicycle infrastructure network; Make My Trip Count website for research on how people move via transportation, very quick survey

- Question from Christina about money in City budget for Bloomfield infrastructure and redesign of Liberty/Bloomfield Bridge intersection – contact Council members about maintaining this money in the budget

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1. *Resolution to approve the September minutes was made by Omar, seconded by Justine. 10 in favor; Q abstained; no in opposition; motion passed.*

Organizational Development

1. Finance Committee Report (Q)
 - a. External accounting firm reviewed accounts
 - b. Bringing accounting practices in line with policies and procedures for how accounts are reconciled
 - c. September financials discussed based on documents sent pre-meeting; significant accounts receivable from Winter Market; some extra expenses for staff; \$10,000 moved from cash PNC account to First Commonwealth interest bearing account; \$1,000 grant received from Lively Pittsburgh used to purchase new Market tents, umbrellas, etc.; Lawrenceville Corporation joined CBO, bringing membership back up to 4
 - d. 2019 draft budget – summary by Q, line by line with Christina – every board member should go through the budget and ask any/all questions they may have
 - e. We will vote on budget at November board meeting – questions can be directed to Christina, Q, Finance Committee, or brought to next meeting
2. Fundraising Committee Report (Lauren)
 - a. Information provided about Holiday Party – December 3rd at Station - please buy tickets in advance!
 - b. \$1000 recent donations from Liberty Beer and Arch Masonry
3. Executive committee – Jon “Duffy” Miller offered his resignation from the Board in September
 - a. *Dan asks for a resolution to remove Jon “Duffy” Miller from the Board – Dan Warner makes the resolution, Q seconds, all in favor, no abstentions, resolution passes*
4. Volunteering update - none
5. Market – no update



Community Development

1. Traffic Study Information (Christina)- \$400k in proposed City capital budget for Liberty Avenue, Howley, Main, Bloomfield Bridge traffic study – Christina encourages all to call your counsel person to encourage them to keep this money in the budget
2. RCO Legislation (Christina) – Organizations now need to register with the City, and there are significant standards for who can be a registered organization – developers are required to meet with registered organizations
 - If there are multiple registered community organizations, City planning will step in and run the community process
 - Registered organizations are in a better position to advocate for funding for a community master plan
 - Christina invited to be a part of the public engagement working group for the City
 - Christina is working on getting us registered
3. Business District Committee (Jodi) – met with Christina and Sam to determine priorities moving forward
 - Business networking event will be held in November and will highlight the sustainable restaurant grants
 - Review of business district report compiled by David; major concern of businesses is vacancy on Liberty
 - Proposed event – Bloomfield Noodle Crawl
 - Working on improving/implementing a community process around Little Italy Days
4. Property and Planning Committee (Matt and Christina) – trying to schedule meeting for P&P and Housing together; likely to be held in early – mid November
 - General community meeting held Monday, about 24 attendees – positive event and response
 - Housing survey revamped and relaunched
 - 4433 Howley Street purchased, zoning hearing to be held tomorrow, no variance needed, just an administrator exception for use, Christina had positive conversation with owner and little about the property will change
 - hoping to launch ACTION Housing process around the ShurSave location by January 1

Announcements were made of meetings and events listed on Agenda

- Corrections of dates listed on agenda

Motion to Adjourn: *Omar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16pm; seconded by Larisa. All in favor; none abstained; motion passed.*