MONTCLAIR CENTER BID GREAT AMERICAN MAIN STREET AWARD WINNER 2015

Montclair Center BID September 6, 2017 - 7 p.m. BID Office

<u>Board members in attendance</u>: Jeff Beck, Phil Cantor, Jenna Davis, Jason Gleason, Lisa Johnson, Eddie Peralta, Sharda Ramharack, Joann Smalls, Sue Schultz, Matt Silverman Jerry Sweeney, Nat Testa, Elaina Watley and Robert Weber

<u>Absent</u>: Renee Baskerville, Arlene Carrini, Guy Kinley, Kazim Mirza, Steven Plofker, Nicci Silva and Sean Spiller

Staff: Israel Cronk and Diane Israel

CALL TO ORDER

1. Phil called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Jason made a motion to accept the June minutes as corrected, Nat seconded. Minutes passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Report presented by Robert

- Good financial position
- Cash flow positive

OLD BUSINESS

2. PARKLETS - Midland Avenue -

- a. John Sullivan & BID are working to pass a permit process for an 8 month parklet installation. Township has tabled the parklet plan due to increased redevelopment activities. Recalibrating our goal to have Parklet Program done by spring of 2018.
- b. Action: Elaina to help the BID lobby for completion

3. DANGEROUS INTERSECTIONS - Pedestrian safety

- a. The BID voted to address the township and assist in installing "Yield to Pedestrian" signs at 11 dangerous intersections within the downtown.
- b. Action: Matt Silverman & Nat Testa will contact township and begin the process

4. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

a. Over 2,000 in attendance.

5. MISSION CLEAN UP

- a. Montclair Center BID donated time and resources to assist with a neighborhood clean up on Mission & New Street. Mayor Jackson, Dr. Renee Baskerville, Bill Hurlock, and other town officials joined the clean up as well.
- 6. **QUALITY OF LIFE** –There are 12 hanging baskets this year, with more to come in the next few years.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PSEG

- a. PSEG has not repaired street pole lights
- Action: Jeff will contact PSEG and assist the BID get more action to fix lights
- c. Action: Elaina will reach out to an individual on PSEG's board and report back

2. BID truck has broken down

- a. BID needs a new truck for 2018
- b. Action: Sharda to help find a truck for the BID

3. MSU - Grounds Crew Consultation

- a. Kubota Mini work truck
 - 1. \$14,000 \$17,000, less than the Green Machine (\$24,000)
 - 2. Can be used 12 months per year (Green Machine only 9-10 months)
 - 3. Less maintenance costs
- b. Action: Jason will research the attachments and service options for Kubota and report back to Board

4. Postcards Program

- a. Using as a promotional item
- b. Action: Diane will finalize postcards and report back

5. Food Tour with Montclair History Center

- a. 1 Mile historic tour throughout downtown with planned stops at local restaurants
- b. Action: Jason will help find the restaurants for the walk
- 6. Crane Park Market Sept 10 12 to 3pm Tour of the Garden

7. Sponsorships

- 1. Wellmont \$5000 for Montclair Center Stage
- 2. Paul Mitchell Metro \$60,000 in kind donation for Fashion Show
- 3. Becker Organization \$1,500 for Fashion Show
- 4. Pinnacle Companies and Hampshire Companies \$2,500 for Crane Park
- 5. Montclair Downtown Alliance \$6,200 restricted for Event Pole Banners
- 6. Bella Arte \$1,500 for Oktoberfest
- 7. Pig & Prince \$3,000 for Oktoberfest
- 8. Montclair Learning Center \$500 for FamilyFest
- 9. Little Gym Montclair \$500 for FamilyFest

8. DMO - Destination Marketing Organization

- 1. BID is applying for the designation given to a town by the New Jersey Department Tourism; a key component to the designation is the presence of temporary lodging such as a hotel, Bed & Breakfast, Motel, Inn, Etc
- 2. \$100K grant is available for qualifying DMO's

Budget committee - Sue, Phil, Robert, Israel, and Jerry - Date to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

- A. Phil moved to adjourn and was seconded by Lisa. Vote was unanimously in favor of adjournment.
- B. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Next Meeting: Pig and Prince October 4th, 2017 –7 p.m.

Final