

The Gate City Development Association Board of Directors met on Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 8:00 p.m. at the Gary FireHall. Present were: Mary Nosbush, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Brad Stevens, Patti Haas, Marion Denekamp, Lynda Rol and Stuart Almos. Also present were several members of the organization.

Meeting was called to order by Mary Nosbush.

Minutes of the special meeting held on August 8, 2012 were read. The minutes were revised and the phrase "in the event the store does not sell" was removed. Motion by Brad, second by Angel to approve the revised minutes. All present voting yes and the motion carried.

Mary read a letter of resignation from Lynda Rol. Motion by Brad, second by Marion to accept the resignation. All present voting yes and the motion carried.

Mary asked for nominations to complete Lynda's term which expires in August of 2014. Marion nominated Will Stone, second by Angel. Brad asked that we wait to fill the position until a review of the bylaws was completed. Mary thought the position should be filled so that we have a full board of seven people. Brad then nominated Jason Steele. Paper ballots were cast by the board members; they were collected and counted by Nicky Nothem and Will had the majority of votes.

A balance sheet and profit and loss statement were presented by Angel. Angel also provided some background information on the USDA grant that has been loaned out. Angel also stated the City of Gary has appropriated \$5,000 to GCDA out of the 2013 budget and that Deuel County also plans to appropriate \$5,000. Angel is planning to attend the county budget hearing and seek an additional \$5,000. It was also noted that Shirley Denekamp signed a bill of sale on the 3 coolers and we will receive \$3,000 out of the sale proceeds.

Brad offered to send a "welcome and congratulations" to the new owners of Gate City Store.

Brad inquired about the contract to build Grand Boulevard and how much money had been spent on the project to date. Mary said she would provide him with a copy of the elevation and plat map as prepared by Aason Engineering Company. There was discussion about how the project is being financed and it was stated there are still appropriations coming from city and county in 2012 that will help. It was noted that the contractor started work on the north end on the property that will at least provide access to the residential lots which should enhance their marketability. It was also noted that the contractor will be working on the project as time permits so if at some point there is a concern about funding the project could be halted.

Kellie Lewis offered to help in the marketing of the lots.

Election of Officers:

Nominations for President – Angel nominated Will Stone, second by Marion. Motion by Marion, second by Angel to cast a unanimous ballot for Will. Voting yes: Mary, Angel, Stuart, Patti, Marion, Will. Voting no: Brad. Motion carried.

Nominations for Vice-President – Patti nominated Stuart, second by Angel. Motion by Will, second by Patti to cast a unanimous ballot for Stuart. Voting yes: Mary, Angel, Patti, Marion, Will, Stuart. Voting no: Brad. Motion carried.

Nominations for Secretary – Patti nominated Marion but she declined. Angel nominated Mary, second by Will. Motion by Angel, second by Will to cast a unanimous ballot for Mary. Voting yes: Angel, Stuart, Patti, Marion, Will, Mary. Voting no: Brad. Motion carried.

Nominations for Treasurer – Marion nominated Angel, second by Patti. Motion by Will, second by Marion to cast a unanimous ballot for Angel. Voting yes: Stuart, Patti, Marion, Will, Mary, Angel. Voting no: Brad. Motion carried.

Brad stated his opposition was based on his belief that a review of our bylaws and structure should have been done before the election of officers.

Mary relinquished the chair and Will now presided over the meeting.

Brad asked for a special meeting of the members to discuss the bylaws. Motion by Angel, second by Brad that all board members review the bylaws before the next meeting so that possible changes and new ideas for them can be discussed then. All present voting yes and the motion carried.

Will declared an executive session at 9:20 p.m. Moved out of executive session at 9:35 p.m.

Motion by Brad, second by Patti, to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Stuart Almos
Acting Secretary