

Friends of the Downtown – Medford

Minutes, August 7, 2008

Meeting called to order by President Jeff Miller at 5:00pm. Meeting location for August was The Blue Angle.

Minutes: Irene moved to accept minutes Arlen seconded, minutes approved.

Treasurer Report: Report distributed by Irene, balance is \$5598.45. (Frenchtown check of \$150 not cleared) Unpaid bills presented for advertising K99 \$125, Star News \$129 and bark for Heritage Garden \$25.

Cathy moved to accept treasurers report, Sue seconded. Report approved.

Old Business

Heritage Garden – a day/evening of weeding will be scheduled in September. Paul will contact Kenny L. to move rocks. Also planting of High Bush Cranberries along alley. Cathy would like to see how much it would cost to get a sign for the HG explaining the garden and the FOTD.

Chair Affair– Sandra Klingbeil updated on the Chair Affair. The event will be moved to August 21. Music will be provided by the Fab Five, Julie from the Prentice Store will be our auctioneer, food will sold and we will be auctioning off the chairs. (31 chairs so far) Motion made by Sue to spend \$250 for advertising, Sharon J. seconded. Motion passed.

New Business:

September Event - Moved the August event to September 18. We will look at getting a DJ, sever German themed food, have vendors, pumpkins, etc... Marilyn, Paul and Sue will be working on the event

Street Closing – Paul inquired to see if the FOTD street closing for August could be extended to Friday for a street dance. Jeff will contact the city.

Membership Drive – Concern about getting new members led to a decision to have a membership table/drive at our August event. We will try to have FOTD members on hand to discuss the group and encourage new participants.

Donation – Weather Shield, Mfg., donated cigarette receptacles for the downtown and they have been placed along Main Street. A Thank You will be sent to Kevin Sheild.

Flowers / Medians – The flowers are looking great and Jeff will be sending a letter to the City letting them know what a great job was done this summer on watering. Also, the medians look fantastic with the new decorative concrete.

Harvest Days – Sue & Cathy brought up the idea of having a progressive wine tasting on the Thursday before Harvest Days. Jeff, Irene and Sue will be working on this event.

NTC – Randy from NTC was at the August meeting letting the FOTD know that soon classes will be in session with over 1600 students attending various programs at the Medford Campus. He is working on a “Student Rewards” program and will be getting more information to businesses on how they will be able to participate in he upcoming weeks.

Tami made a motion to adjourn at 5:45 and Irene seconded, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted Cathy Henrichs.

Next Meeting, September 4, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. - **Simek Library, Large Meeting Room**