

Friends of the Downtown – Medford

Minutes, March 6, 2008

Meeting called to order by President Jeff Miller at 5:05pm.

Minutes: Liz moved to accept as printed and Irene seconded.

Treasurer Report: Report distributed by Irene, balance is \$ 5534.30

Liz moved to accept treasurers report, Enid seconded.

Old Business

Food Drive - food drive will be wrapping up. Irene, Marilyn and Jeff will be picking up balance of food and dropping off at Indianhead. So far the response has been very good.

Membership – memberships have been coming in on a fairly steady basis. Quite a few new businesses joining.

Heritage Garden – city has been contacted regarding plowing, adding concrete skirt to top of sidewalk area.

Goals, BID, Etc... - Arlen emailed a list of the FOTD accomplishments so far. Also provided additional information on a BID District. Material was distributed and will be reviewed.

New Business:

Spring Meltdown – Jeff was contact by Brian Wilson regarding having a Couch Potato Race for the Spring Meltdown. Jeff will contact some businesses to see if there are some very inexpensive couches available. Irene will contact Jim Metz for refreshments, FOTD may do some kind of food sale. Tentative date Friday evening before Pine Line Marathon, April 25, 2008.

Flowers – A letter will be sent to local nurseries / growers to plant and house hanging baskets for Main Street. FOTD members will plant the large containers on the street. City will water.

Summer Events – Three summer events are planned. June 19, Cultural Night In Downtown; July 17, Art & Music – The Chair Affair; August 21, Historical Night In Downtown. Sandy Klingbeil has stepped forward to head the July event. We're looking for other individuals to head the two other events.

Guests – We had several new faces at the meeting. Warren from the new store on Main Street “Poppy & The Raven”, Sharon from “The River Centre Shoppes” and Randy Oakleif from NTC. Randy let us know about some great facilities available at NTC. Classrooms, meeting rooms with internet and video, and workshops/training.

Recognition Banquet - There is still time to have a FOTD member listed for the Taylor County Recognition Banquet.

Farmers Market – Jeff received a letter for the Farmers Market's annual meeting. He will try to attend and also let them know how much we would like to get them downtown, especially on our Summer Event evenings.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Enid Fuchs

Next Meeting, April 3, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. - **Large Meeting Room**