

Minutes

Friends of the Downtown Meeting

August 6, 2009

Meeting called to order by Jeff Miller, President at 5:02 pm.

Minutes: There were no minutes from the July meeting. Only a few members were at the meeting. General discussion was held, but no monies or plans were made.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report distributed and approved.

Committee Reports:

None

Old Business

This Spuds For You: The July event was a great success! We made money on the brat fry, the band and the events were great. The Wipeout Girls proved to be a great draw and they were exceptional performers. The crowd certainly enjoyed them. The Couch Race was fun and 6 teams participated, we'll be sending save the date cards for next year. The brat fry did well, The Lounge Around was happy with beer and hamburger sales. It was discussed how the crowd stuck around during the Couch Race and it was decided that we need to have more events like races, games, etc... that we could stagger throughout the evening to encourage the crowds to stick around.

An Evening of Art & Music: The August event will include the Chair Affair. We will be having the Wise Guys play (\$500) and the Star News will be selling pies. The FOTD will have a brat fry and The Lounge will be doing the beer and hamburgers. A Chair Volleyball event will be held. Sue Emmerich and Jim Metz will be the refs and we'll try to get 6-10 teams to participate. Dane Bolz will be the auctioneer for the event.

September: OctoberFest is still being planned for the September event. A few polka bands have been contacted, however none were available. We will continue to work on the music.

New Business

Brat Fry: Cathy Henrichs let us know about an opportunity to do a brat fry at the Weather Shield Factory Outlet. We will be doing this event on the Friday after the Chair Affair, August 21. Time of the event 10 – 2.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Miller

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 4, 2009, 5 p.m., The Star News Conference Room