

CORNELIA



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DDA/Main Street Board Meeting AGENDA

Thursday, January 7, 2016 8:30 a.m.
Cornelia Depot

1. Meeting called to order- Brian Horton called meeting to order at 8:30. Motion made by Bill Loyd and seconded by Brentt Cody.
2. Adopt Agenda- Motion made by Jessie Owensby to add "Work Plan" to the agenda. First by Matt Cathey, seconded by Dee Anderson
3. Financials- Loan Fund has 12,94.70. Façade grant HAS 2,668.08.
4. Old Business
 - A) Report on Christmas in the Park- Over 14,000 cars went through the lights this year. In years past, it had only been around three or four thousand. Brian Horton apologized on behalf of himself and the board for not volunteering. He said they all need to do a better job making sure that events are covered, if not by them, then by someone they recruit.
5. New Business
 - A) City Manager Update- Dee Anderson said that the parking lot looks very good and we are making progress. It is on schedule to be done on January 26th. There will be stairs coming from new parking lot and then a walkway connecting it with a crosswalk. The North Main Street sewer had one part that didn't get finished because they had to get the easement for it. DOT should be able to start paving the street in March or April.
 - B) Re-appointments for board members- Don Higgins' term has expired. Matt Cathey's term expired. Amanda Chosewood's term has expired. Amanda stated that she is not sure she wants to recommit because she feels stagnant. The rest of the board members assured her that she was an asset to the board and she has done some great work. We would hate to lose her. She agreed to be re-appointed. Neil Reems' term also expired. Neil and Don were not in attendance, but the board agreed to reinstate all terms. A motion to approve renewal was made by Dee Anderson, a second was made by Brian Horton. All in favor- 7 All opposed- 0
 - C) Façade Grant Application- Image Emporium applied for a façade grant to repave their driveway. There was some discussion about the DDA boundary and whether or not the salon fit into it. It was agreed that it does. However, driveway repavement is not listed under
 - D) Main Street Program update
 - E) Ideas about Open storefronts; Cornelia Business Association
 - F) Assault on Mt. Currahee update
 - G) Casino Night

6. Upcoming Events: Annual Awards Banquet for 2015; Assault on Mt. Currahee February 27;
Casino night March 12
7. Next Regular Board Meeting: 8:30AM **Thursday, February 4, 2016** at the depot.
8. Adjourn