

Nederland Downtown Development Authority Minutes for November 4, 2010

Board members present: Bunny Spangler, Director Paul Turnburke, Jonathan Beggs, Ken Adler, Steve Culver, Udo Sille, Teresa Warren and Rob Joseph.

Also present: Lynn Hirshman, Town Administrator Alisha Reis, Ron Mitchell, Su Tate and Glenna Carline.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 A.M.

1. Public comment.

Ron Mitchell complimented Rob Joseph and Paul Turnburke for their actions and answers at the BOT meeting on Nov. 2nd. Ron also talked about the NDDA discussion at our last meeting on his proposed RV Park in town. He was concerned about our recommendation on limiting the length of stay from 30 days to 14 days. He was also concerned that we discussed his proposal at our last meeting, which he was unable to attend.

2. Teresa Warren said she submitted a report to TARP stating how we used the \$22,500.00 funding we received from them.

Teresa said she is working with Grimshaw & Harrington on a draft agreement with the Town for NDDA employees and their insurance and other costs associated with sidewalk maintenance. The agreement would state that the NDDA would reimburse the Town for all expenses incurred.

Teresa said that she would like to see the BOT address the citizen groups who are opposed to the NDDA and development in town and that the NDDA should concentrate on working with and getting direction from the members of the NDDA.

3. Su Tate of the NACC said she has reformatted the NACC newsletter and it will include a section for the NDDA. Su said they raised \$1000.00 at Octoberfest and this money was then donated to help those impacted by the recent wildfires. Su said the NACC is continuing its membership drive and they are beginning to work on Frozen Dead Guy Days for 2011.

4. Paul Turnburke said he has met again with the Boulder County Transit Group and the NDDA shuttle bus proposal was mentioned as well as

Nederland being mentioned as a transit hub for our local mountain communities.

Paul said work is being done to correct sidewalk problems that have been found.

Paul said that 1000 daffodil bulbs have been planted around town to help give the town some early color after winter.

Paul said that Dan Glasser has mentioned to him that people have been driving on the sidewalks and he has forwarded this information to Town officials.

Paul said that the Library Board has requested assistance from the NDDA for removal of snow around the new library and that they are willing to pay for those services.

Paul Turnburke finished up his report by talking about the BOT meeting on Nov. 2nd, and the concerns raised about the NDDA. A couple of concerns Paul brought up about the meeting were that sustainability issues should apply to everyone in town and that Town standards are being applied unequally between the various groups in town.

5. Rob Joseph began his report on the BOT by thanking Paul Turnburke for his presentation on Tuesday night and his calm demeanor in answering all the questions directed to him about the NDDA at the BOT meeting.

Rob talked about the issues brought up at the BOT meeting and the overall atmosphere of the meeting. Rob also mentioned the sustainability concept that was brought up as well as a composting plan presented by Greg Wilson. Rob said many people in town are concerned about recent developments, but that the NDDA has a lot of support in town as well as on the BOT.

6. Teresa Warren reported on the Riverwalk project. Teresa said we should start the process soon for applying for the grant next year and we could begin by talking with the PROSAB group and possibly scheduling a work session with them.

7. The report on the sidewalk maintenance plan said that the tractor now has a snow blade attached to the front and the NDDA is working with the Town on getting Workmen's Compensation for the employee(s) running the tractor.

8. Mike Massa started his financial report by handing out a current operating budget report. Mike said there is really no new news to report.

Mike said the Town will work with the NDDA on NDDA employee and insurance compensation with reimbursement for costs from the NDDA.

Teresa reported that she has submitted the tractor financing application.

9. Next up was approval of the minutes from our last NDDA Board meeting. Steve Culver said he put the wrong date on the draft of the last minutes and would correct the date to show Oct. 21st, 2010.

Bunny Spangler made a motion:

To approve the NDDA minutes from October 21, 2010, as written, with a correction to the date.

Ken Adler 2nd the motion. Motion was approved. #110410-1.

10. Under new business the NDDA was asked to look at a proposal from Turnburke & Assoc. to design the Brian Mahon Memorial Way and Park.

The proposal for the services estimated the fees would be \$6100.00 for the design work and Turnburke & Assoc. would donate back \$4,100.00 of the cost of those fees, leaving \$2000.00 to be covered by the NDDA.

There was much discussion on what the designs fees would cover and also the scope and size of this small pocket park and would the adjoining sidewalk be part of the memorial. With new NDDA Board members present who were not a part of the original Memorial discussions, there were questions raised as to why the park was proposed and how big of plaque were we talking about for the Memorial. Teresa Warren, Bunny Spangler and Paul Turnburke talked about whom Brian Mahon was and his contributions to the Nederland area. Teresa said that we have gotten the blessing of the current BOT to begin work on the Brian Mahon Memorial Way and Park and at the very least we should look into installing a small plaque or sign to mark the sidewalk.

Teresa asked Lynn Hirshman of the Mountain Ear Newspaper if they could do an article on Brian Mahon and his contributions to the town. Teresa said the NDDA would help with preparing the article.

After more discussion and the time involved it would take to clarify what exactly we envisioned what the Brian Mahon Memorial Way and Park would encompass, it was decided to continue this discussion at our next NDDA meeting.

Steve Culver made a motion:

Motion to table the discussion on the scope of and proposal for design work on the Brian Mahon Way and Memorial Park until our next NDDA meeting.

Jonathan Beggs 2nd the motion. Motion was approved. #110410-2.

11. Bunny Spangler made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ken Adler 2nd the motion. Motion was approved. #110410-3.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

Our next regular NDDA meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 18th. The meeting will take place at 8:00 AM at the Pioneer Inn, unless otherwise notified.

Submitted by Stephen Culver, Secretary NDDA.