

Friends of SW 9th Minutes

February General Board Meeting minutes

Place: Christ the King Church in the Library

Date and Time: February 8th 2024 at 5:30PM

Members present: Chris Tursi, Evan Shaw, Gennaro Liqouri, Chris and Michele Pruisner, Michele by phone.

Minutes to be approved. **Genannro 1st ,Chris P, 2nd and all approved**

1) Chris Tursi and Bill Hansen on Dec.19th meet with Felsburg Holt and Ullevig and the city of DSM about SW 9th traffic safety study.

City of DSM hired a consulting firm to review safety on SW 9th and will hold Neighborhood meetings for ideas and complaints

2) Bill meet with Fuse Chamber and Pelds Design Services in December for what SW 9th wants to accomplish in 2024 and how they would like to help us. Another meeting was set for Jan. 9th 2024 to meet all the members they have on their committee for further improvements and how they can help Friends of SW 9th. Meeting was cancelled due to blizzard that day.

They called and want to come to Friends April meeting

3) Financials:

In the attachments

4) Facade Improvement Program for 2023

3207 SW 9th, DSM WAX, City Approved and Facade Board approved, Paid \$6,284.38

3000 SW 9th, US GAS, City Approved and Facade Board approved Paid \$1,186.24

6007 SW 9th St. Cilppernomics, Approved, Paid \$20,000.00

3311 SW 9th St. Farrell's Extreme Body Shaping, Approved, Paid \$30,000.00

3104 SW 9th, Lucky Gal project is done. Approved Paid \$2,999.33

4800 SW 9th, McKinley Plaza, City Approved and Facade Board approved Paid \$30,000.00

3218 SW 9th, Park Ave. Plaza, City Approved and Facade Board approved Paid \$11,308.50

2720 SW 9th, UpLift Realty, approved for funding, Paid \$13,416.38

3001 SW 9th, CS Family Properties, approved for funding, Paid \$20,000.00

6004 SW 9th, Family Eye Health Center, approved for funding Paid \$1,285.20

3408 SW 9th Dairy Queen, approved for funding Paid \$1,969.00

901 and 903 Titus, The Garage, Waiting for estimates of work to be done. Did not send in information.

2301 SW 9th Angry Goldfish, approved, Paid \$15,167.25

Facade Improvement 2023 Total Paid \$153,616.28

5) Facade Improvement Program for 2024

A) New program for 2024 needs to vote and see how much to spend

B) Changes on application and mailer (Application is in the attachments for review)

Voted to make \$100,000.00 available in 2024 for facade Improvement. Update dates and send to city for approval.

o 50/50 matching grant that requires 50% owner match

o Grant award up to \$20,000 for single tenant commercial property (\$40,000+ project)

o Grant award up to \$30,000 for multiple tenant commercial property (\$60,000+ project)

6) Bell Plaza

New Trash can is ready to be installed as soon as location is approved. Carol and Bill to report.

Evan suggested a slab pour next to benches at east end of benches. Members voted and approved

7) All invoices paid

8) Dart Shelter update from meeting attended by Chris Tursi, Carol George, and Bill Hansen

Dart committee sent out artist portfolios to do the work. Everyone on shelter committee to review and vote on the artist they would like.

9) Michael Mauro resigned from Friends of SW 9th Board of directors.