



Minutes of the Blossburg Visions in Business and Entertainment Monthly Meeting
October 28, 2009

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM.
9 members were present.

- The meeting was moved to Toader's Pizzeria at the last minute. There was some confusion about the door locks at the Kiwanis Building and we were not able to get in. Officer McCurdy stopped by our meeting and said the dead-bolt is the only one that needs to be unlocked.

Administration Information

- Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Regular Checking: \$2816.19
 - Local Grants (Savings): \$4.43 – Kelly will close out this account
 - Scarnati Grant: \$3519.39
 - DCED Grant (Borough): \$0.00
- Bills to be paid
 - Electric for the events sign
 - Sarah Gilkinson Nevins – Downtown Rendering
 - Erie Insurance

Design

- Façade Improvement account balance
 - We are holding checks for Blossburg Fire Department and First Citizens National Bank. Account balance is at \$0.00 after writing all checks.
- Approved Applications
 - Blossburg Fire Department - New sign is complete, waiting for the installation.
 - First Citizens National Bank – Clock to be painted soon.

Promotion

- Communications
 - Wellsboro Gazette notified Barb that the News and Views column will have a 400 word limit.
- Farmers Market
 - Saturday, Oct. 31st is the last day for this year!
- Community Garden
 - There are a few gardens that still need to be cleared out. People are asking for additional boxes to be built for next year.

- Skate Park
 - Received approval for paving. The next step is to purchase equipment
- Walking Trail
 - Borough Solicitor, Pat Barrett to contact Tonya.
- Wireless
 - Kelly to have Shane check the outdoor node at Toddler U. and then contact Josh with status. It may need to be replaced.
- Fall Festival – October 24th, 2009, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - The Fall Festival was moved at the last minute to October 25th. Even though we had to move it, only 3 vendors couldn't make the new date. The day was beautiful and we had a good turnout from both the community and vendors. Everyone was very happy with all of the activities and we're really looking forward to hosting it again next year. Keith Lindie and the Mayor said there were about 213 people who enjoyed a ride on Keith's Hay Ride. Check out the slide show on Blossburg.org.
 - We'll be returning the \$10 fee to vendors who weren't able to make it.
 - Looking for ideas for next year. We'll start planning in the spring. Tonya will check into getting it listed in the Tioga County Visitors Bureau fall visitors guide for next year.
 - Suggested that we could do a pumpkin carving contest next year, or a Pumpkin Glow fundraiser.
- Placemat/Newsletter
 - We reviewed the placemat and Kelly will be ordering copies.
- Community Yard Sale
 - The 2010 Community Yard Sale date has been set for May 22, 2010 – The weekend before the Coal Festival.
- Christmas Decorating Contest
 - Judging to occur on December 20th. The contest will be listed on Blossburg.org and other resources.

Economic Restructuring

Organization

- TCDC Leadership hosting Dec. 4th. Tonya will give a walking tour of the downtown to talk about the facades.

New Business / Announcements

- Superstars Printing has opened downtown. V.I.B.E. members noted they are very reasonably priced and do very good work.
- V.I.B.E. discussed the implications of the STSD option of closing North Penn High School. Blossburg V.I.B.E. feels that a loss of this magnitude would have a severe and devastating effect on the local community and businesses and has the potential to cripple the local economy. V.I.B.E. encourages all residents and area community members to attend the STSD Board Work Session on November 2nd, 6:30 p.m. at the NPHS Library to show your support for North Penn High School and let the board know that they cannot close this school! Make sure to attend the following board meetings on November 9th at 6:30 p.m. and December 7th at 6:30 p.m. at the Mansfield High School Library.

Meeting concluded at 7:30 p.m.

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