

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting December 11, 2018

Steve Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. A quorum was present.

Members Present: Karen Pfendler, Lynn Smith, Sachi Kubo, Chris Nelson, Steve Weiss, Jordan Matyas, Robert Jones, Shannon Waterfield, Shelly Murphy, Hans Pusch

Members Absent: Karl Hjerpe

Others Present: Barb Guttmann, James Rowoldt (1850 Lincoln Ave)— [neighbor of Bill Deakins (1848 Lincoln Ave.)] The visitor, Mr. Rowoldt, spoke to OTTA about his concerns regarding our position on the construction of the garage on LPW. He was not cordial to Steve and was very discourteous to our board in general. He firmly supports Bill Deakins desire to build a 2-car garage and his legal right to do so.

Approval of the Minutes: Karen Pfendler moved to approve the November 13, 2018 Board minutes.... Chris Nelson 2nded... minutes approved...Shelly Murphy abstained as she was not at the November Mtg.

• **Treasurer's Report:** Sachi Kubo reported the P&L for November 30, 2018. Barb created a new stand-alone line for the Ogden Plaza, so it won't be a part of the NIC spend.

Old Town Triangle Association Profit & Loss Budget Performance November 2018

	Nov 18	Aug - Nov 18	Annual Budget	_
Ordinary Income/Expense				=
Income				
Restricted Donations (Suzanne Flavin Scholarship Funds)	0.00	-206.25	0.00	
001 · Association Revenue	1,212.00	3,924.57	14,150.00	Interest & rent
019 · Program Revenue	2,355.00	21,390.75	59,750.00	Member dues & tuition
250 · Fund Raising Events	0.00	1,130.00	27,000.00	tutton
330 · Art Fair Revenues (Art Fair Master Account)	10,425.00	18,335.00	423,900.00	Application fees
Total Income	13,992.00	44,574.07	524,800.00	_
Gross Profit	13,992.00	44,574.07	524,800.00	_
Expense				
244 · Ogden (Wisconsin) Plaza (Ogden Plaza - between				
Wisconsin & Lincoln) 66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies (Discrepancies	7,404.00	7,404.00		Plaza work
between bank statements and company records)	0.00	0.04	0.00	
060 · Association Expenses	8,861.80	33,171.60	98,490.00	Salaries, bank fees
050 · Occupancy Expenses	3,108.68	18,249.83	39,330.00	Assessments, maintenance
040 · Program Expenses	4,999.42	21,222.10	83,080.00	Newsletters, instructors

230 · Neighborhood Improvements	1,203.02	8,762.97	63,800.00	Trash can maintenance
270 · Fund Raising Event Expenses	500.00	500.00	12,000.00	First Sight
300 · Art Fair Expenses	762.00	3,733.15	112,900.00	Exhibitors
090 · Contributions Expenses	0.00	0.00	115,200.00	
Total Expense	26,838.92	93,043.69	524,800.00	•
Net Ordinary Income	-12,846.92	48,469.62	0.00	•
Other Income/Expense				
Other Expense				
127 · Capital Improvements to OTTA	0.00	5,412.00	0.00	
Total Other Expense	0.00	5,412.00	0.00	•
Net Other Income	0.00	-5,412.00	0.00	•
Net Income	-12,846.92	53,881.62	0.00	•

- **President's Message**: *Game On* group is interested in having a summer camp at LaSalle charging \$600/wk....the school would find the campers....no after school rentals planned...if the camp works out the school would consider it their sole source of income...we will have parking for our art fair in 2019. Final plans are not ready yet for the field redo. Robert wanted to know if we could secure a memorandum of understanding from LaSalle...not enough final details yet. Steve did tell them OTTA would pay to cover the field for parking during the art fair if it was needed. 20% of the entire triangle filled out the survey.
- **NPMCA Report**: No report on the Condo Association. Jordan asked about the snow shoveling shared by the association. Hans said the other owners move the garbage cans out, so we'll have to put our own out. A suggestion was made to have Louis & crew move the garbage cans in and out as they are working here anyway on those days. Snow shoveling and garbage can movement should be coming out of the condo funds.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Neighborhood Improvement Committee: Shannon Waterfield reports we still don't have the
 pricing from the Illinois Brick for new pavers...several projects have been completed on Hudson...NIC
 was able to plant 10 trees (with guarantees). For people outside the triangle wanting bricks, they
 will pay retail for the bricks...more projects are in the offing.
- **HD/PZ Committee**: Hired an amazing architect to design an alternative garage for 1848.... HDPZ met 2 weeks ago and unanimously voted not to accept the applicant's proposal for the garage. The garage design itself doesn't accommodate the type of van they will be using. The architect says the current plans don't represent ADA guidelines at all. We've dome everything we can to work with this family. We will be going to zoning, followed by appearing at Landmarks. Jordan suspects that zoning will approve this variance. Also, Richards place is under construction; the Menomonee owners have gotten all their permits and are proceeding with their rehab project; the North Park property (which we fought very hard to save) was purchased by a couple who've lived in the triangle and wanted to remain here. They are aware of all the restrictions involved with upgrading this property.

- **Grants Committee:** Robert Jones reported his committee is going to be discussing changing the application date for application submission. This committee does not solicit applicants for grant.
- Membership/Communications Committee: 440 voting members...610 total members
- Events: January 21 is the Aldermanic debate; Santa Claus party was a lot of fun and well attended.
- Education and Outreach Committee: No report
- Art Fair Committee: No Report
- Capital Improvements: Hans Pusch presented his report on the North Room Lighting & Acoustics project. Laurie Miller was the design architect for the plan. After the presentation concluded, discussion was held. Jordan stated that Hans needed to get 2 other electrician bids so that we would have 3 bids to choose from. The board agreed not to start any work on the project until we had the 3 electrician bids and finalized the cost of the lighting install. Jordan also wanted to know if any permits would be needed. Hans said he didn't think so.

Robert Jones moved to go forward with the project after securing 2 additional bids for the electrical work--seconded by Chris Nelson. Included in the motion was a spending level of up to \$30,000. The motion did not include which design option to select...option 1 or option 2. When Steve inquired when could this work be completed—could it be done by the election meeting, Hans replied it could certainly be completed by the Annual Members meeting...the project was projected to take 2 weeks at the most to complete. The vote was 9 Yeses, 1 No (Jordan Matyas), and 1 present (Karen Pfendler). The Board was quite excited.

- Ad Hoc Crime & Safety Committee: Still seeking committee members; Shannon reported on the area walk around with Sgt. Shenk from the 18th District...as they walked around Shenk pointed out that there were very few, if any cameras on properties...lighting is very important and cameras get the convictions...he'll be bringing the city expert to the next CAPS meeting to discuss the importance of owners getting cameras and how to go about installing them...he also said that the area on the north side of North Ave has the fewest cameras...while our ally's are very well lit, our streets are not and in the summer when the tress are full with leaves, it becomes even darker thus harder to see people and their movements. Sheila Pacione was on the walk with the group and she said the alderman's office would investigate installing more street lamps. Very few cameras in our area. We should work with police on this camera process. Shelly's house was used as part of a sting operation that caught the thief who stole packages that were put in front of their home...the police gave them a ring door bell and installed it for this sting. Shenk also reminded us to encourage the owners to put their address numbers on their garages and back yards.
- **Finance Committee**: Sachi Plans to meet with Robert & the next treasurer before the 1st board meeting of the new term.
- Arts & Operations Director's Report: Current display are student's works and all of them are for sale...enough have been sold to cover the cost of hanging up the display. In January the show will be a group exhibit by 4 photographers...it will be a black and white offering Barb is working with Alderman Smith & DePaul to create a program whereby OTTA donate old art work to senior citizens

for their rooms, or apartments who otherwise would not be able to afford the purchase of these paintings/pictures. This art work would be donated by people who have art work they no longer display and would love to be able to donate to seniors for use in their residences.

- Unfinished Business: None
- New Business: None
- Executive Session: Sachi Kubo moved to go into Executive Session @ 8:33 P.M....2nded Steve Weiss. Chris Nelson moved to exit the Executive Session...2nded...ES ended at 8:54.
- No action was taken by the board in the Executive Session.
- Adjournment: Chris Nelson moved to adjourn.... Hans Pusch 2nded.... meeting adjourned @ 8:55 P.M.

Respectively Submitted,

Karen Pfendler OTTA Secretary