



Board Minutes

August 4, 2021, The Spot

The August 4th, DBPA Board meeting was called to order at 2:01 pm at The Spot by President Rod Wilson. Those present included Rod Wilson, Sherry McGlauhlin, Jeremy Mahaney, Lyndsay Ulrickson, Jason Bentley, Chad Thompson, and Josh Wolsky

Move to approve June 28 Special Meeting Minutes by Thompson, Second by Mahaney. Motion Approved.

Financial Report delivered by Jason Bentley. Move to Approve Lyndsay, Second Sherry. Motion Approved.

Discussion took place regarding development of Board-assisted teams to assist on a membership drive and recruitment.

An update on flood protection was provided. Representatives of the DBPA will be invited to a meeting with the flood protection design team to begin a conversation on how the project will impact downtown.

Skateboards, Scooters, Sidewalk Restrictions have been brought to the attention of the organization. Merchant's on Main Street have expressed concern regarding skateboards causing problems. This is a multifaceted issue including ordinance enforcement balanced with creating a welcoming environment. There is also talk of a Scooter company prospecting in Minot for a potential pilot program.

Flowers & Park District Arrangements. A reminder was provided to the Board about the arrangement with the Park District and downtown flowers. There had been some comments received by the Park employees; considerable time was given to communicating the arrangement to the downtown community.

A downtown overlay district and its value regarding unifying all of downtown -- which includes many zoning designations -- was shared with the Board. This spills into both graffiti and trash management.

Rod Wilson provided an update on the work of the newly-formed events committee including the September 9 Wine Walk. He also mentioned the engagement he's working on with the MAFB spouses group including the hope of developing a holiday wine tour. Discussion continued on how to better engage the MAFB community.

Discussion continued on topics including a website update, the facade improvement program, the future of what was formerly known as the Ben's Tavern area.



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Rod shared a comment he had taken regarding the Oak Park area and whether it was appropriate to include it as a part of downtown.

Quick updates were given on the Main Street Summit coming on October 12, 2021 in West Fargo. Upcoming events including the BurlinMOT, Wine Walk, Fall Festival, and a still pending October 2.

An update was provided on a Taste of Minot Culinary Tour. The board was invited to participate in a test-run tour on August 20th.

With no other business or updates, the meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.