

Elmwood Murdock Merchants' Association

June 21, 2021

7 p.m.

Elmwood Learning Center

The Elmwood Murdock Merchants' Association met Monday, June 21 at 7 p.m. In attendance were Kris Shrader, Kurk Shrader, Joann Hill, Bj Burrows, Bonnie Brewer, Becky Kicak, Lyn Belitz, and Julie Anderson.

Minutes from May reviewed. Minutes approved as is.

Treasurer's report: Andy is not present but Treasurer's report reviewed.

Membership report: Andy is not present but membership report is reviewed. Many members have not renewed.

Committee reports:

Economic Development:

- Original sale offer from the Methodist Church for the buildings on main street fell through. They are pursuing other options for the purchase of the buildings on main street.

EMMA Grant: July will be the next grant opportunity. Applications due July 10th.

Newsletter: 4th of July Newsletter completed, folded, and ready to mail.

Social Media: Continue posting and sharing merchants' news and posts.

Website: Updated with current newsletter information.

Unfinished Business:

- Replacement Highway sign: Bj has installed the new sign on the south side of Highway 34 just west of Highway 1. It needs new poles and reinforcement. There may be local talent that can help with this. It will need new posts, plywood, and concrete. Discussion on whether we should replace the other sign on the east side of Highway 1 so they match. Kurk motioned to allow for \$300 to repair the poles and reinforce the first sign and \$300 to replace the 2nd sign. Bonnie seconded the motion. All voted Aye. No Nays.
- MoPac Banner: Ready to hang on main street.
- 4th of July Newsletter – ready to mail. Posters will go up via anyone who can do it.
- Garage Sales: EMMA will pay half of the expenses for the garage sales signs. \$175 is the total.

New Business:

- Order 2nd sign for east approach? Already discussed and voted to do this.
- Holiday Extravaganza planning: It is time to start planning. The Aldrich theme is “Childhood Memories – I Remember”
- Getting to Know Your Neighbor – Bonnie is planning an event at the Elmwood Learning Center to encourage people to meet each other. This will be sometime in September or October. Food trucks will be invited.
- Joann Hill reports that the Elmwood Community Center has contacted Weather Craft about a new roof on the Dorothy Oldfield Annex and front of the building repairs. They are also looking for someone to remove the stump and replace the sidewalk.
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With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

The next meeting will be July 19th at 7 p.m. at the Learning Center (back room).

Julie Anderson, Secretary