

**Main Street Advisory Board
Board Minutes
January 22, 2018**

The Main Street Advisory Board met on Monday, January 22, 2018 at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas.

The following board members were present:

Erwin Stauffer	Melody Huber
Sharla Gola	Carol Bachmayer
Deborah Parker	Shannon Grace
Bobby Seiferman	Megan Randig
Scott Dean	

Also present:

Ed Hile, Citizen to speak at Public Comment regarding use of TIF funds.
Deby Lannen, Main Street Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Assistant City Manager
Ed Komandosky, TIF Board Member – left at 5:34
Ashley Lumpkin – left at 5:34
Isaac Turner – left at 5:34

A quorum was declared and the meeting was called to order at 4:38 p.m. by Bobby Seiferman Chair.

Public Comment

Ed Hile spoke before the board concerning Heritage Square and the use of TIF funds for that project. He stated that TIF funds are for use in the TIF District and shouldn't be solely used for Heritage Square. Copy of his notes is attached.

The following Consent Agenda items were presented to the Board:

Consent Agenda Item No. 1

The Board reviewed the minutes from the November 15, 2017 meeting. Scott Dean made the motion to accept the minutes. Carol Bachmayer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Item No. 2

The financials were presented to the Board. No action taken.

The Board discussed the Regular Agenda items as follows:

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Item No. 1

Receive TIF Annual Report:

Ashley Lumpkin presented the TIF Report which is now called TIRZ Fund – Taylor Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. The beginning fund balance is \$677,680.65 with total revenues of \$265,915.13 and total expenditures of \$209,567.92 leaving a funding balance of \$734,027.86. Exhibit “B” is attached detailing those items.

There was much discussion on the use of TIF funds for reconstruction of Heritage Square. Heritage Square could be a drawing mechanism for bringing people to Taylor and to our downtown area.

Ed Komandosky made the motion to accept the TIRZ Annual Report. Scott Dean seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Item No. 2

Review façade grant application – 113 W. 2nd St. and 313 N. Main St.:

Carol Bachmayer made the motion to approve the paint grant application for 113 W. 2nd Street. Melody Huber seconded the motion. Motion passed. Scott Dean abstained from voting. The amount awarded is \$500.

The application for 313 N. Main is still being reviewed by the City Attorney. No action taken.

Item No. 3

Main Street Manager’s Report:

The monthly activity report was reviewed.

Deby talked about the banners that were installed for the Christmas Season. We are getting more banners that will be for use year round. Hopefully with the reconstruction of Heritage Square we will be able to recruit more restaurants for the downtown area.

Item No. 4

Upcoming Events and volunteer opportunities:

Presidents Day 2/19/2018 – we will put the flags out on Heritage Square.

Blackland Prairie Days 5/5/2018 – planning as usual, if Heritage Square is unavailable we will have everything on the streets.

The Austin Train Show to be held at the Wilco Expo Center will be the same day as Blackland Prairie Days.

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Item No. 5

Items to be included on upcoming agenda include:

Officer appointments

Sharla Gola made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Erwin Stauffer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Parker
Main Street Advisory Board
Secretary