

Minutes of the Historic Canal Dover Association
Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 20, 2006 – 6:30 PM
Giuseppe's Restaurant, Dover

In attendance: Chrissy Blackwell, Tuscarawas County CVB; Tod Carper, Renaissance Salon; Jerry Butler, Butler's Used Furniture; Joyce Espenchied, Comfort Inn; Bob Mueller; Bill Osborne; Jacqueline Pineda, Butler's Used Furniture; Darian Richardson; Russ Volkert, Dover Fire Department; Ann Wenzel; Sandy Zorzi, Zorzi Painting;

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by President Bob Mueller

President Mueller introduced himself and announced that monthly meetings will now be held in the evening and the schedule will be posted on the HCDA website.

Secretary's Minutes – C. Blackwell presented the minutes from the March meeting. Motion to approve minutes as presented was made by T. Carper and seconded by S. Zorzi. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Organization Committee – Tod Carper

Heritage Homes - Working on a tour for the city's bicentennial in 2007. The group is also circulating a petition to block the demolition of 7 100+ year old homes on Franklin Square in New Philadelphia for the building of a Walgreen's Drug Store.

Membership – Membership renewals went out to current members. Committee information for the member folders is due to B. Mueller within the next two weeks.

Design Committee – Russ Volkert .

Marquette - Photos of the marquette in process were passed. Currently researching work clothing of the time period. B. Osborne suggested that the artist contact the Smithsonian Institution for assistance. R. Volkert also read "The Canaller," which will appear on the plaque on the finished bronze. Committee would like to present the marquette to the community at the Canal Dover festival as promotion of the historic projects. It will then be placed in the city utility office with a lock box for donations. Additional fundraising projects are also being explored.

Cleanup – Joe Mizer at the Times-Reporter has been asked to do a write-up when HCDA cleans up the evergreens near the Salvation Army.

Ghost Signs – City Council recently held the second reading of the resolution allowing HCDA to use a fire truck to help paint the signs.

Kiosks – Commitment has been received from the Dover Eagles for the Southwest quadrant kiosk "Organized Groups in Dover." The Dover Exchange Club has expressed interest in the sign to be placed on the Southwest corner of Front and South Wooster.

Toll Booth – Bob Smith of Smith Ambulance has agreed to fund the materials needed for construction. Students from Buckeye Career Center will construct the booth.

Gateway Signage – The City of Dover is submitting information to the Ohio Department of Transportation for grant funds to help create the gateways to the city at West Third Street at State Route 39 and on North Tuscarawas near the Carter Lumber building.

KSU Urban Design Collaborative – Dave Reese has been invited to visit Dover for a consultation. J. Espenchied of the Comfort Inn offered to donate his lodging. A motion to pay his food expenses was made by A. Wenzel and seconded by T. Carper. Motion carried unanimously.

Promotions Committee -

May Sidewalk Sale – Setup will begin at 7:30am with the sale being held 9am-3pm. A sign up sheet for the hot dog cart was passed around. B. Mueller will look into a charge account at Buehler's for purchasing supplies. An event is also being held that evening at Warther Carvings for the Ohio & Erie Canalway Association. B. Mueller will speak to Mark Warther about bringing hot dog cart to event after the sale is over.

New Businesses – Ariel's Oak Furniture is currently stocking inventory to prepare for their opening soon. The bridal mall in the former Dover Office Supply building is still undergoing construction work. Opening is projected for mid-July.

Economic Restructuring – No Report

Old Business

Red Carpet – Renaissance Salon held red carpet event April 6 for their grand re-opening celebration. Best Friends Bakery will also be celebrating their first anniversary April 27-29. Specific date of red carpet event needs to be confirmed.

Litter Bags – C. Blackwell reported that the CVB has ordered the litter bags. No proof has been received yet from the printer.

New Business

Office Phone Line – B. Mueller has contacted Verizon about a phone line for the HCDA office. Cost will be approximately \$30 per month. New phone line wiring has already been done in the office. Motion to order phone service was made by S. Zorzi and seconded by T. Carper. Motion carried unanimously.

Canal Symposium – B. Mueller reported that R. Volkert, Zach Cummings and himself attended the Ohio & Erie Canalway Symposium in Akron on April 5. Group is excited on plans being made in Dover.

Next Meeting – May 18 in evening. Exact time and place are to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Chrissy Blackwell
Secretary