# Union County Development Corporation Board of Directors Meeting

July 13, 2022 at Noon

## **Board Members Present:**

Tim Woodruff Brian Bias Brenda Paxton Steven DeLorenzo Diana Bourne Julie Coffman Noah Studebaker

## **Employees Present:**

Melissa Browning Dawnn Ripberger

The meeting was called to order at 12:06pm on July 13, 2022 by Brian Bias.

June 2022 Minutes – The June meeting minutes were discussed and approved as written. Steven DeLorenzo made a motion to approve the minutes, Brenda Paxton seconded. All board members voted unanimously to approve.

June 1-July 13, 2022 Financials — The financials were discussed and approved as reported. Tim Woodruff made a motion to approve the financials, Julie Coffman seconded. All board members voted to unanimously approve.

#### Old Business:

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival
  - Electric panel had to be installed on the Union County Foundation (blue building) for service for overnight for the Carnival. This electric panel was made to be removable by Elleman Electric if something happens to the building.
  - The Carnival Rides brought in \$8,400 this year. They had hoped to hit \$10,000.
    - For next year they are wanting \$5,000 down and UCDC to keep 20% of pre-sales and 20% of sales over \$10,000.
    - Need to talk to Union County Foundation about use of property for next year.
  - Union County Cancer Association's pie sale at festival brought in \$3,005 on 39 donated pies! The top selling pie was a peanut butter pie for \$210!
  - The Dunk Tank proceeds were to be split with Union County Cancer Association. Their cut is \$460.69.
  - Freedom Run had 132 participants
    - Income Registrations & Sponsorships = \$3517.
    - Expenses Race Timer, trophies, shirts, banner, bus, drinks = \$1865.89
    - Profit of \$1651.11
  - Need to have an "eating" tent next year with tables and chairs.

### **New Business:**

- IEDC READI Grant no decisions have been made in SEI as to how the \$16 million will be split up. Union County doesn't plan for the future with big dream goals to have in place to submit for funding like the READI Grant.
  - Possible a chance for READI 2 to drop. Melissa Browning has spoken to State officials about the matching levels being lowered for smaller communities.
- NSK The resolution for the Economic Revitalization Status has been turned in to NSK. All paperwork is complete now for their tax abatement.
- UCDC received the 3<sup>rd</sup> installment from Town of Liberty for funding.
- Mural
  - Pamela Bliss dropped the price of the mural to \$23,000
  - Liberty Motel comped ALL room nights for muralists stay in town. The UCDC purchased dirt and flowers to plant in extra planter and gifted to them to say thank you.
  - Approximately \$10,000 leftover from Go Fund Me account after paying muralist.
    - Replace highway sign about Bob Jenkins
    - Installing a plaque on fence of home where Bob Jenkins grew up (across from Co-op)
    - Looking for more "walls" to paint on
  - Elleman Electric donated use of scissor lift, Barrett's Pressure Washing donated the washing of the building.
  - We have been in contact with two local artists wanting to paint smaller murals for cost of paint.
- Printer/Copier
  - Jeff Mathews has located a printer/copier to meet our needs and budget amount. Ordering it in.
- Movie License Brynn R. had put money into fund at Union County Foundation to purchase a movie license. UCDC purchased the license and split the cost with the Library.
  - Will show a movie at Harvest Fest.
- Entertainment Permit Had an inspection and secured permit for the year from Department of Homeland Security for all events that UCDC does.
- Live in Liberty has been going well.
  - Raffles are bringing in funds. All items are donated.
  - Receiving a percentage back from vendors sales at events
- Harvest Festival
  - Planning a movie
  - looking into more activities
- Christmas in Our Hometown
  - Looking into Ice Skating Rink

Meeting was adjourned at 1:11pm by Brian Bias.

Next meeting is Wednesday, August 3, 2022 at Noon.