



City of Geneseo, Illinois

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Façade Committee
April 7, 2016 12:00 PM

Members:

Jim Ries
David Smith
Angie Snook
Vacant
Kelli Decap
Rhonda Ludwig

Contact Person

Rick Mills
Building Inspector
309-944-0910

Minutes

Roll Call

Chairperson Jim Ries called the meeting to order with David Smith, Rhonda Ludwig in attendance at 12:05pm. Kelli DeCap and Angie Snook were absent.

Pledge of allegiance

Public Comment – *Audience requests are limited to 3 minutes per subject. If additional time would be needed, please contact City Hall to be placed on the Agenda prior to the meeting.*

Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes from 2/4/16
Motion by Ludwig, second by Smith to approve the minutes from February 4, 2016.
Voice Vote. All Ayes. 2 Absent
Motion Carried

Business Items

Consideration of Façade Applications:

Request from Urban Farmhouse for a reimbursement of \$4,116.00 for an awning and window.

This building is under a development agreement that allows for reimbursement up to \$80,000 through various City programs.

Motion by Smith, second by Ludwig to approve the requested reimbursement in the amounts of \$4,116.00 for a window and awning at Urban Farmhouse LLC.

Roll Call

Ayes Ries,Ludwig,Smith

Nays

Absent Decap,Snook

Motion Carried

Request from Black Sheep LLC for reimbursement of an awning.

Member David Smith asked if there were any parameters for awnings. He stated that the awning that they had put on only comes out 2.5 feet and it actually is more of a sign then an awning. He discussed the Chipman Design that was a guide for the downtown. Member Ludwig stated that the Chipman Design has no teeth and is old outdated and never was approved by Council. Administrator Kotter stated that there are no parameters in the ordinance that set up the Façade Program and that is something that we need to look at in the near future. This program needs so guidelines so that it has enough financial viability to benefit the downtown for years to come.

Motion by Ludwig, second by Ries to approve the reimbursement request from Black Sheep LLC for an awning in the amount of \$1,687.

Roll Call

Ayes Ludwig,Ries

Nays

Abstain Smith

Absent Decap,Snook

Motion Carried

Administrator Kotter stated that the committee can meet and discuss some parameters for the Façade program. If there aren't some parameters put in place the program with not last very long. She also felt that since it is spending public money that the Council should be approving the expenditures. Also the Mayor needs to appoint 2 more people to the committee and reappoint the remainder.

Member Smith wanted it stated on the record that Urban Farmhouse's windows are outstanding and a great TIF improvement.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Motion by Smith, second by Ludwig to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 pm.

Voice Vote. 3Ayes. 3 Absent.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by
Loree K. Phlypo
City Clerk/Recorder