

Commission Meeting Minutes

Attending: Chris Johnson, Chairperson; Dorothy Milne, Secretary; Al Goldberg, Treasurer; Wally Andersen, Commissioner; Sandi Price, Executive Director of RPBA; Beth Demes, Board President of RPBA; Carolina Juarez; RPBA staff Absent: None

- Welcome Meeting began at 9:04 a.m.
- 2. Community and Public Input None.
- 2016 October Minutes
 Commission reviewed 2016 October Minutes. No changes, corrections nor additional information were requested. Motion to approve 2016 October Minutes (Milne /Goldberg). Unanimously approved.
- 4. 2016 Financials Through November

Commission reviewed financials through November 2016. No changes, corrections nor additional information were requested. Chris Johnson asked what the big expenses were in November of 2016 to warrant a transfer from the line of credit. Carolina will get this information from Sandi Price, Executive Director. There was a conversation about holiday decorations. The Commission would like the decorations to be more professionally installed and more indicative of the holidays. Since the budget is an issue, Carolina will look into other options which might address these issues while still remaining within budget.

- 5. Manager's Updates- Carolina gave updates on the following:
 - Clark and Estes Development- Commission discussed their concerns about this development. Commissioners would like to go on record that they do not approve this project, however at this point there is no further action to be taken since project is already moving forward.
 - Clark Street Revitalization- Commission would like to make sure there is a comprehensive branding campaign that comes out of this plan, which acknowledges the current businesses on Clark Street, for example the Auto related ones. Al Goldberg brought a list of Auto related businesses to prove how prevalent this type of business is on Clark Street.
 - RPBG Newsletter
 - KICC Program's Clark Street Presentation
 - Clark Street Festival- this festival will not happen in the year 2017. Commission asked that RPBA consider organizing the new and improved Taste of Clark Street during the same time as Clark Street Festival.
 - Taste of Clark Street
 - Clark/Pratt
 - Mile of Murals
 - BIPs / SBIFs
 - Small Business Saturday
 - Live, Love, Shop Rogers Park



- ADA Compliance Issue
- Safety
- 6. Old Business
 - Pride North the commission had a discussion about the meetings which have occurred in regards to this event expanding in days and footprint. The commission is against the festival expanding in days and food print and will write a statement stating their position.
- 7. New Business
 - Commission titles were reviewed. Chris Johnson is Chair, Dorothy Milne is Secretary, Al Goldberg is Treasurer and Wally Andersen agreed to be Vice President.
 - 2017 meeting dates were discussed. The commission would like to change the July 5 date to an earlier date in June. A new date will be scheduled at a later time.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m. (Milne /Goldberg)

NEXT MEETING is March 1, 2017 at 9 a.m.