

MABA MINUTES – November 2, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. @ Liberty Memorial Bldg. Basement

Meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Natalie

Board members present: Natalie, Michelle, Gary, Cheryl; Additional guests: Greg Pierce, Becky Bell, Holly & Michael Galia, Marcie Scott; Absent: Stephanie, Bonnie, Caroline and Teresa

Secretary report: No formal minutes were presented due to Michelle's absence from October meeting. Natalie gave an overview of the October meeting.

Treasurer report: The treasurer's report was presented by Greg on Bonnie's behalf.

Old Business:

- Trunk or Treat: We had a great turn out, despite the weather. One suggestion was to allow for more parking spots available for the businesses in town while the event is happening.
- Lantern Launch: Cheryl will attend the city council meeting to get the block party permit. Michelle and Melissa Haley will speak and countdown to the lighting of the tree. Michelle will ask the Fair Board for the use of the hot cocoa canister. Volunteers will meet at 3 pm to help fill the luminaries.
- Festival of Trees: December 2nd. We have 13 vendors signed up so far. Becky will reach out to vendors from previous years with a link to the form. We are looking for volunteers to donate cinnamon rolls to go along with the chili and serve lunch from 11:00 to 5:00. We will do two hour shifts. Otherwise, we are looking good for the event.

New Business:

- Approval of Updated Bylaws: Discussion was had on two proposed amendments to the bylaws. The first would be that officers serve two-year terms so that there is consistency on the board. A suggestion was made that those be on odd years so it's not an entirely new board all at once. The second was adding in order to withdraw cash from the account, you will need two signatures, rather than just one.

Additional Discussion/Comments:

- We won't hold an official December meeting, but please come December 1st at 5:30 p.m. to help set up for the Festival of Trees!

Adjournment: motion __Michelle__ and 2nd __Greg__ adjourn time: 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: January 4, 2023 @ 6:30 pm Basement of Memorial Bldg.