TOWN OF YADKINVILLE APPEARANCE COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 1, 2013

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Valerie Zachary: Chair Jerry Carlton Jim Drum Chip Thomas

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Monta Oliver Dawn Fordham Patrick Long

STAFF PRESENT:

Town Manager: Christopher Ong

CALL TO ORDER

The October meeting of the Yadkinville Appearance Committee was called to order at approximately 1:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS—FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT

The Yadkinville Appearance Committee discussed the current status of Margaret Brown's façade improvement grant approved by the Committee on August 6th for her business Idlewild Realty Group located at 114 W. Elm Street.

The original grant applied for by Ms. Brown was in the amount of \$277.12 based on a total quote of \$554.25 for painting the handrails (\$60) and for an awning (\$494.25). The Committee noted that Ms. Brown was having difficulty contacting the company who had provided the original quote for the awning in July, and that the alternate quote is higher than the amount that was approved in the original grant application. The original awning quote was for \$494.25 and the alternate quote was for \$630 leaving a gap of \$135.75. The Committee asked if Ms. Brown can amend her original application to include half of the difference between the alternate quote for the awning and the original quote which would be \$67.88 more than applied for. Mr. Jim Drum opined that perhaps they should wait as Ms. Brown is still actively contacting the original company.

After further discussion, Mr. Drum made a motion that the Committee do nothing until they hear back from Ms. Brown. Mrs. Valerie Zachary seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Power Washing Sidewalk on Main Street

Mr. Carlton brought up the idea of pressure washing the sidewalk on the south side of Main Street, noting that it had been a previous topic of discussion in the Downtown Business Association. Mr. Carlton noted that the sidewalk was in bad shape due to not receiving sunlight and invited the Committee to inspect it. Mr. Carlton continued that the area in need of washing was the sidewalk on the south side of Main Street from the corner of Jackson Street east to the Yadkin Arts Center where it goes to brick.

Mr. Ong suggested getting at least three written estimates for the proposed work.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to recommend to the Town Board to power wash the sidewalk on the south side of Main Street from the corner of Jackson Street to the Yadkin Arts Council. Mr. Carlton seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

Planters and Sign at County Courthouse Property

Mr. Carlton brought up the concept of putting fall planters out around town or in the northwest part of the Courthouse near the traffic light at State/Main Street intersection. There was a discussion regarding who would maintain the planters. The Committee discussed the Courthouse location at State/Main as being the gateway to downtown.

After further discussion, Mr. Carlton made a motion to recommend contacting the County to request permission to plant flowers and erect a "Town of Yadkinville" sign at the northwest corner of the Courthouse.

OTHER BUSINESS/COMMENTS

- The Committee looked at previous conceptual and streetscape plans and discussed reviewing certain items from the plans.
- Mr. Carlton stated he would like to see white Christmas lights in downtown windows.
- Mrs. Zachary asked about grants for planting trees and flowers.
- The Committee discussed maintenance issues regarding projects.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Drum made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. The Yadkin Appearance Committee adjourned at approximately 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Town Manager,

Chair Valerie Zachary