

Downtown Arlington Business Association

Member Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2018

6:00pm-7:00pm

Location: City Hall Council Chambers

Opening Business:

Meeting Called to Order at 6:08 pm

DABA members 13/ Guests 1

Board members in attendance: President Lisa Cisneros, Secretary Jammi Parris, Treasurer/Admin Cristy Brubaker, Board Member 1 Rich Senff.

Member Quorum- Not Confirmed

Member Announcements -

The minutes of the previous meeting were not approved – due to lack of a quorum.

Presidents Minute:

- We will be updating and presenting a Code of Conduct for our meetings.
- Mainstreet Meeting has been re-scheduled to May 9th
- Board Meeting was held on April 19th no actions taken because of the lack of a Quorum

Treasurer Report:

Bank Balance \$25,802.71 Reconciliation is available for review 112 total members

Committee Updates:

- Event Support Committee:
 - Sunday, May 20: Vintage and Made Event in Legion Park, there will also be a Pet Pageant
- Arlington Street Fair Chairman Jeri reported that we currently have 130 Vendors and reminded all downtown merchants that June 1, is the cut-off to reserve spaces in front of your business at the DABA Rate. She also noted that if any merchant would be willing to share power to a Vendor to let her know.
- Downtown Arlington Show and Shine Co-Chair Cristy reported that we have over \$10,000.00 in Sponsorships for the event, pre-registrations are starting to arrive and there will be several vendors. Posters, T- Shirts and advertisements are in process and Registration the day of the event will be located at Howell Park – in the Station. We will be stuffing the Goody Bags for the Car Show at the June meeting – so if you have any promotional items you want to include please bring them to the meeting or plan to get them to Cristy.

Guest Speaker: Arlington Police Chief Jonathan Ventura

The meeting was then turned over to Chief Ventura for an open Q &A Session and the following topics were discussed:

<u>How many officers are on Patrol</u>? A minimum of 2 Officers, at best there is 5 when there is no one on vacation or at training.

<u>Is that typical for City's the size of Arlington?</u> No – we operate with less than other City's our size. Currently the department averages 40 calls per 12-hour shift. And those are mostly 911 calls. They would like to be more pro-active and hope to do that with more staffing.

Does that include coverage for Smokey Point? Yes.

• A representative from Key Bank at Smokey Point complimented the department on work they have been doing to clean up the area around them. Chief noted that the restaurant Alfonso's has been foreclosed on and the department has been working with WSDOT on clearing out the shrubs along their right of way and this has helped by removing areas where people can camp out.

<u>How can Merchants address theft?</u> Cameras help because unless you have observed the theft – it's difficult to prove. If you are not sure you can always ask them to leave and you also could serve them with a no trespass document (APD has the form for those who are interested) which requires them to stay out of your place of business. If they do attempt to return you can then call the police and have them arrested.

<u>How does a neighborhood get an emphasis patrol for speeding drivers?</u> Complaints will generate a report that indicates a need for some emphasis patrol or the setting up of the speed wagon to make drivers aware of their speeds and slow down.

<u>Has APD ever had Bicycle Patrols?</u> Yes – and they are in the process of getting new bikes and hope to be able to implement them again soon.

<u>Is there a way to respond to people who enter a merchant's store trying to sell items?</u> There is a specific process that requires paperwork for these types of sales. Be careful.

Closing Business:

• Suzi from Perfectly Knotty noted that May 16-20 will be the 13th Annual Yarn Shop Tour – so expect some additional traffic in downtown.

Meeting adjourned.

Cristy Brubaker, Treasurer/Admin