

*UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES*

Downtown Oronoco Gold Rush Days (DOGRD) Committee

January 11, 2016

Members Present: Ryland Eichhorst, Trish Shields, Bridget Hanenberger, Linda Sorensen, Skyler Breitenstein

Via Teleconference: Carol Olson, Event Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

Minutes: Trish moved and Ryland seconded to approve the draft minutes of November 9, 2015. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Alyssa reported via email a bank balance of \$7566.07. Linda moved and Ryland seconded approval of the report. The motion carried.

Membership: Ryland and Linda will speak to 2 people who indicated interest in DOGRD membership.

Rights of Way: Beau and Skyler met to review a city map that identifies property lines and rights of way. Committee members reviewed copies of the map. Discrepancies were noted in the width of streets and that some properties appear to have more land between the buildings and the land before the street. The discussion centered on difference for property owners on Minnesota Avenue who have their right of way area rented by DOGRD and others who rent area on the right of way on their own. The proposal is for DOGRD to rent the first 15 feet of the right of way and allow the homeowner to rent anything "deeper" into their property. Rights of Way Discussion centered on:

1. How would area be measured since streets are different widths? Is it from the road edge?
2. The rental by DOGRD would help pay the costs of the show (security, toilets, advertising, etc.)
3. What area of town would be included? Historic Downtown only?
4. Delaying any change until 2017 DOGRD would allow for preparation and communication.
5. Wording of rights of way versus fifteen feet from road edge needs to be discussed with the City Attorney.

Set Up Day: 1. Some shoppers said our web site did not state they could not shop on setup day. The web site needs to specify it is not a shopping day. 2. Some vendors suggested we sell wristbands to shoppers on setup day and provide a different color wristband for the vendors. Committee members think that a sale of wristbands would be too labor intensive for us, at a time when the membership of the committee is strained..

Grant: Ryland reported DOGRD received a \$1,050 Peoples and Dairyland Power Cooperatives.

Volunteers: Ryland suggested we look at contracting garbage help so volunteers can help elsewhere.

Thank You Cards: Skyler was thanked for taking care of distributing photo thank you cards to DOGRD Committee members and DOGRD volunteers.

Adjournment: Bridget moved and Trish seconded the meeting be adjourned at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 15th @ 6 p.m.  
Respectfully Submitted by, Linda Sorensen, Secretary