

## **Melrose Business and Community Association Board Meeting Minutes for October 15, 2012**

**Attendance:** Board members Jennifer Pritchett, Jean Rosebrock; Guest Felicity Trueblood

**Welcome:** President Jennifer Pritchett opened the meeting at 5:30pm.

**Minutes:** Jean presented minutes from the September Board meeting; approval was moved to the November Board meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rebeca provided the report.

### **Old Business**

#### **30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

This event has been moved to February 2013. Jean and Felicity will set a date; Felicity will find available dates with Trinity Hall. February 22, 2013, is available from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Trinity Hall will need additional money for use of their kitchen.

#### **Political Rally**

Felicity suggested that MBCA write a letter to William thanking him for emceeding the event. Jennifer noted that, as a way of thanking him, she nominated William for Parade Marshall; he accepted.

#### **Rural Cluster**

This topic has been tabled. There has been no change in status.

### **New Business**

#### **Table and Chairs Purchase for HMI/Homemakers Club**

Marshall will check the prices of these items at Sam's Club.

#### **November**

The next MBCA Membership meeting is November 13, 2012. The multi-use path will be discussed; Jennifer will contact the Mayor of Hawthorne.

MBCA will support the Trinity Episcopal Church Thanksgiving in the Park with a donation.

Marshall will set up a conference call for the November Board meeting.

#### **December**

Tax Increment Funding (TIF) will be discussed. MBCA is seeking suggestions for projects on which to use TIF money.

Steve Thrift is handling the Merry Melrose Christmas Parade, to begin at 10:00am on Saturday, December 8, 2012. Steve will also contact Badger about donating Christmas

décor. Jennifer will find out if a PA system is needed. Marshall will put the Christmas parade application online at the Melrose Grapevine website. Bob Bird is handling the accompanying festival. MBCA will have a table at the festival. Regarding the MBCA float, Felicity will look for animals to pull it and Jean will look for a flatbed trailer. Jennifer asked that the Board actively promote the parade to get as many entries as possible. Also, MBCA will try to get all (or part of) the marching bands from Interlachen High School, Hawthorne High School and the University of Florida. Volunteers will meet at M&S Bank on Saturday, October 27, 2012, at 10:00am to check Christmas light fixtures, and repair if necessary.

*Jean Rosebrock, Secretary*