Regular Board Meeting Minutes
OTC Board Room
12:00

July 27, 2026 OTC Board Room

Call to Order: 12:00 by Terri McClung, President

Attendees: Wanda Crawford, Terri McClung, Patsy Snead, Lisa Akers,Afton Griffin,Lisa Worley,Susan Crowder,Gary Whitmer, Tony O`Brien , Jonathan Calloway, Peyton Colvin and Josh Taylor,

Guests: Michelle Cook and Tammy Carter

Absent: Lisa Sponaugle, Christine Hodges, Tyler Sizemore and Kester Dingus

A motion was made to approve the Monthly Meeting Agenda by Lisa Akers. Second by Afton Griffin. All in favor: Yes

A motion was made to approve the Previous Meeting Minutes by Lisa Worley. Second by Afton Griffin . All in favor: Yes

Executive Director:

No update to his written consent agenda

Small Business Coordinator:

Copies of a recent complaint against OTC sent to MSA, along with their reply was passed out to all BOD, just to make everyone aware.
Chris Newmer will be back mid August to photograph more of the buildings.
Suggested we consider adding a Youth Entrepreneur to the board.
Mountain Life Hydration and Wellness opened 7-6
The Barber Shop and 3 adjoining buildings facing Mid City Mall parking lot are being painted.
Bakery on Main Street is planning to open mid August.
Two buildings on Court Street along with 2 apartments are nearing completion.
The building on the corner of Main and Court is lined up to open the first of the year.
The Design Organization Committee needs to meet and consider what can be done to cleanup and beautify the walkway from Mid City Mall behind Mountain Life hydration and Wellness to Main Street.
The gas company has dug up the Alley Gallery and this needs to be addressed as it has destroyed the aesthetics of the area and all the artwork on the walkway.
Fall Flea Market 10-3 at the Farmers Market Peyton has flyers ready and is posted on social media along with the registration form.

Partner/Ex-Offico Updates

- **Chamber of Commerce:**
  One mile swim at Lake Moomaw this Saturday
  8-4 Ribbon cutting - Grace Grit Big Rig Wash and Trailer Cleaning @ 11:30
  8-19 Ribbon Cutting Rise & Mend @ 11:30
  8-18 Merchant Meet Up, Clifton Forge School of the Arts @ 5:30 - 7PM
  8-25 Lunch & Learn - MGWCC - Facebook Marketing Made Easy @ 11AM-1PM
  9-8 Business Olympics - All Ages
  9-10 Chamber Open House @ 11 AM - 3 PM

- **Parks and Rec**

  8-1 Relay for Life - 6 - 10PM
  9-19 Farm Fest
  10-24 Pumpkins in the Park
  10-30 Hometown Halloween
  Sunday before Thanksgiving - Holiday Market & Twinkling Trail
  Sunday after Thanksgiving - Lighting of the tree at City Hall

- **AHEDC**
  No Update

- **Mayor–** No Update

- **4-H Extension/Farmers Market**
  Lisa Worley stated she had a complaint from a person, out of town, that had tried to contact the Market and did not receive a response. Michelle Cook said she received all emails and responded to each and if she could get the information on how to contact this person she would take care of it.
  8-1 Doug Day
  8-8 Streetscene - extended hours
  9-19 Customer Appreciation
  10-24 Fall Fest
  11/28 and 12/15 Holiday Markets

Old Business -

Tony is still interested in having an art contest in the Alley Gallery, tabled until the next meeting.

New Business:

Susan Crowder inquired about the Cougar ornaments that we purchased when the schools consolidated. As president of the Alumni Association she wanted to know if we would donate or consider selling them. We need to find out how much we have invested and how many we have and would get back to her on this.

Motion to approve all items on the consent agenda as presented .
Motion by: Afton Griffin Second by:Jonathan Calloway All in Favor: Yes

Items removed for further discussion:
Travel Policy

Motion to approve Financials as presented.
Motion by: Jonathan Calloway Second by: Lisa Worley All in Favor: Yes

Motion to approve Annual Budget for FY 2026-2027 as presented.
Motion by: Jonathan Calloway Second by: Lisa Worley All in Favor: Yes

Before the meeting adjourned, Lisa Worley questioned why Kester was leaving the office during the day and if he was hourly or salary, also why was our intern paid to work Lumberjack games. Several members spoke up and commented that Kester put in 40 plus hours and was doing an excellent job. It was noted that Peyton was here to learn as many aspects of the job as possible and she was being paid by the Alleghany Foundation .
She also inquired how many volunteer hours Afton had worked.

Next OTC meeting August 31st, 12 Noon - OTC Board Room

Motion to adjourn at 1:22 PM made by : Lisa Worley Second by: Jonathan Calloway
All in Favor yes