MWCDC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
March 1

Present: Darla D’Anna, Mike Grande, Terry Moss, Greg Panza, Kevin Kerr, Josiah Gilliam, Taila Piazza, Alaina Davis, Tom Tighe  
Excused: Curt Conrad, Chris Kail, Jean Novak  
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Absent: Natalie Carl Gallagher, Joe Rewis, Jon Norbut

Quorum was present

1. Call to order Michael Grande 6:35
2. Approval of Minutes - minutes will need to be approved at next meeting because there is not a quorum of those present for Feb meeting  
3. Financial Committee Update  
   - Financials
     - Property was sold at 502 Natchez Street to John DeSantis for $11,085. Small profit was made. A historic reservation will be done.  
     - 4 Properties from Land Reserve still remain on our books, all of them are Hilltop properties and we are working on how the closings will work.  
     - NPP check still has not arrived. By this time of year historically the check has been cut. DLC has talked to us and check should arrive this month.  
     - Cash Forecast: Finished January with a Cash Forecast of $98,024. Difference from last month was a $22,000 expense for properties held for resale.  

   - Executive Director Hire
     - An offer was made and accepted to Gordon Davidson. His start date will be March 19. There will be several initial introductions planned: to the businesses, political/City stakeholders, committees and the public. His first meeting will be the Development meeting at the end of the month.  
     - Forum: EVP Update, Katherine Hunninen. 45 minute presentation. Trisda Development: Southern Avenue property presentation will be from a former hospital to 9 unit residential. Have done other renovations on Southern (onesixty)  
4. Committee Updates  
   - Development Committee
     - Business Expo will be coming up in April. The council will be reaching out to businesses soon for ideas and planning. Public marketing for this will launch April 1.  
     - The previous forum was a success with business presenters.  
     - Curb Appeal will be coming up a local contractor has volunteered to paint 50 doors. The committee is looking to raise $5,000 for accessories such as porch lights, mailboxes, etc. The contractor has agreed to do the work. ***A motion was made by KK to create a fundraising campaign for the curb appeal plan, seconded by TP, motion passes ****  
     - Grace Street Updates: interested buyer, has also expressed interest in our curb appeal program  
     - Boggs Avenue properties are still actively being marketed. If our property is part of a larger development Greg Panza, will need to recuse himself.  
   - EVP Committee
     - Conversations about the recent landslides have been on the forefront this month. Stormwater management will most likely be a hot topic for funders and that will be explored.  
     - NPP informed us that there is not a need for a gap year - next term will be a 6 year grant. Application will be this Spring.  
     - City Step project is moving forward and we are staying informed and involved.
5. Board Service
   - Attendance requirements were reviewed for BOD Meetings and Forums
   - It was encouraged that all find a way to be active beyond just BOD Meetings

6. Announcements
   - Thank you to the search committee
   - VisitPittsburgh Annual Meeting will be next Thursday, March 8.
   - Square will be our new payment entity. Online payments will be easier and reporting is accessible.
   - Membership was transferred to a Google Sheet and Form.
   - Calendar will be updated
   - Kevin attended a business forum in Dormont and was pleased to hear the positive buzz around the MWCDC’s work
   - Tom Brady will turn 60 next week

7. Adjournment ***Motion to adjourn by TT, seconded by KK, motion passes***