

# OCTOBER 2009

# MONTHLY MINUTES

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## **CIDA MEMBERSHIP MINUTES**

**October 12, 2009**

Board Members Present: Tom Roberts, Chris Boland, Christy Chester, Ed Hatfield, Maria Moore, Jim McNair, Chris Klimek, Scott Brown

Members Present: Elliott Goldstein, Bob Gude, David Melzer, Ben Ross, Darby Trotter, Scott Burnett, Bill Haw, John Wagner Jr., Doc Snyder

Guests: Mayre Hoffman, Greg King, Bill Bremmer, Chad Thompson, Cindy Circo, Bob Mayer, Deb Hall, Rick Usher, Lynn Tinsdell

The meeting was brought to order by President Christy Chester. Introductions were made around the room. The minutes were approved and the treasurer's report was given by Maria Moore. As of end of September the amount in the bank is \$13,291.14.

An announcement was made by Scott Burnett that the West Side Community Center was having a fund raiser.

Greg King with the Graffiti Gone spoke on his company. They have a new kind of chemistry that is environmentally safe that can be sprayed on your building and the power washed off. They will do it themselves or teach you how to do. Tom Roberts expressed thanks to Greg and his company for participating in the cleanup day we had in August.

Bill Bremmer with Time Warner Cable stated that they are installing cable at the North end of the West Bottoms. If anyone is interested in using them, give him a call. Bill also notated that Time Warner Communications is not them.

Jim McNair gave us an update on the American Royal BBQ report. It was a strong revenue function but flat attendance. The busses worked well and the traffic was better. They had good cooperation with the city. Some of the events coming up have been sold out.

Chad Thompson with the KC Public Works spoke on updates in our area. 12<sup>th</sup> Streetbridge should be open again on or around Halloween. To be able to continue working on it the temperature must be at least 45 degrees of rising. When they get done with one side they will flip to the other side. The whole bridge should be done by the end of next year. The bottom will be the last thing to open. The Forrester project is going through. They are meeting with contractors right now. October 27 will then be open for bids. Start date will be the first of the year. The bridge will be completely demolished.

Cindy Circo with the KC City Council that she is behind the connectivity projects in the West Bottoms. Construction costs are cheaper right now.

Rick Usher stated the city is working on several projects for our area. One is the Heritage Trail and the other is posting new street signs. Another is the catch basin replacements. Tom Roberts stated that they went to DC to get money for the 7 levees project but right now it is hard to get any money. He encourages everyone to write their senator in congress and press the importance of the KC Levee project.

Tom Roberts handed out the CIDA PIAC Funded Infrastructure Priorities list. Tom and Scott Brown met with Pat Kline to go around in our area to look at culverts, parks, curbs, sidewalks, lights, etc. A safety issue was looked at first on priorities such as lighting. Discussion was then made. Doc Snyder state that there is a problem at the crossing of Union and Hickory. Tires have been punctured and there are no stop signs. Lynn Tinsdell stated that the smoothness of roads and reworking of the railroad structure should be looked at. After more discussion Tom made a motion to approve the CIDA PIAC Funded Infrastructure Priorities list. Darby Trotter expressed that #7 should be on next years list instead of this years. After more discussion Tom's motion was passed.