

The Odebolt Betterment Committee held their monthly meeting Nov. 11, 2009 at 6:00 at City Hall. Present were Phyllis Franken, Linda Godbersen, Elaine Rex, Kerry and Deb Reinhart, Joan Godbersen, Madeline Meyer, Jack Bensley, P. Dale Gronemeyer, Howard Hustedt, and Joel Ahart.

Co-Chair Madeline called the meeting to order. Deb read the minutes of the previous meeting and there were no corrections or additions. The treasurer report is \$1247.99.

Kerry gave a report on the City Park project. The INS grant has been completed and Madeline has signed it and Deb will take it to the phone office tomorrow. We hope to know by the middle of January if we will receive any money from this grant. The City Council has committed to \$300.00 for this project. Kerry and Joel will go to Petersen Mfg. to look at a picnic table and bench. These items will be donated by J&A Lawn Service if available.

It was discussed on what to name the Downtown Beautification Project. There was a motioned made by Linda to call it Downtown Green Space Project, Phyllis seconded. There was no further discussion. All ayes. No nays. Donation checks for this project will be made to the Odebolt Betterment Committee.

Linda and Joan attended the Sac County Endowment Foundation Workshop. The grant has to be turned in by Dec 4th. We have to have a 50 percent match for this grant and we do not see a problem with meeting this match. Howard has been working hard on getting donations. Joan will work on the budget. Howard and Linda will work on the narrative part of the grant. Cost of the project is:

Flag Poles	\$1,419.85
Cement work	\$9,575.00
Petersen Mfg	\$6,146.00
(Benches and picnic table)	
Clock	\$16,617.01
(2) Lights	\$1,483.42
Flags from the Legion	\$0
Electrical (Est)	\$500.00
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Total	\$35,741.28

Joan has also applied for the Trees Please grant for trees for this project. It was decided bids will be taken for this project. The committee will work on the landscaping for this project. Madeline will talk to Vonnie and Curt to see if they will help with this and also talk to Prairie Pedlar. Kerry thought that there may not be enough dirt to plant trees along the north half of the lot, maybe plant some shrubs instead. Howard stated that he will be able to get all the black dirt we need.

Howard said that \$5000.00 is being put aside from the sign project to maintain the entrance signs.

We will take off the month of December because of the holidays. Our next meeting will be Jan. 10 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

- Deb Reinhart, Secy, Treasurer.