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Board Meeting

February 8, 2017

Present: Jay Thomas, Maria Lemieux, John Gaston, Jack Perreault, Jeff Howland, Mary Frances Rozak, Lisa Raabe, Karen Inderwish, Maria Smith, Missy Hollenback (guest)

Minutes: No minutes were taken at the January meeting.

Landscaping: Integrity Landscaping has provided LBDA with a three year quote. Michael Petrone from Michael's lawnservice and Rist Landscaping were contacted, but both were not interested in providing service. Integrity Landscaping has agreed to hold prices at last year's level for the duration of the three year contract.

The board voted to accept Integrity Landscaping's quote for the years 2017-2020.

Guest: Maria introduced Missy Hollenbach, who gave us a presentation on the Town of Shrewsbury Plastic Bag Reduction By-Law. At the town meeting in 2016, the plastic bag ban was voted into law. As of July 1, 2017, all plastic bags will be prohibited from distribution from area businesses. This will reduce trash, litter, damage to waterways and accumulation in waste sites, as these products do not decompose completely. Shrewsbury is one of 40 towns within MA that are banning plastic bags. It is the first town in Central MA to implement the ban. Shrewsbury currently uses between 9 million and 18 million bags per year.

Missy also told the board that the Shrewsbury Farmers Market, currently held at the Ski Ward site will be moving to somewhere within the Lakeway District for 2017.

Treasurer's Report: There were no expenses in January and the cash balance is \$8251.17.

Maria presented the 2017 budget and it was accepted with one change: since we will not be hosting Dining in the Lakeway, due to lack of interest, the \$300.00 expense will be moved to the Spirit of Shrewsbury budget. We will use the additional funds to create photo posters to be used at our booth.

Invitation: Shrewsbury Library director, Ellen Dolan, has offered to host a LBDA meeting with a tour of the newly renovated library and lunch. We will have our MAY meeting at the library.

SELCO presentation: Mike Hale from SELCO, would like to feature the Lakeway Business District in a future show of Lights, Camera, Action. We spoke briefly about our vision for the structure of the show, perhaps highlighting the bridge, Lakeway Commons, the landscaping, signage, and the future home of the Farmer's Market.

We will schedule a planning meeting in late March or early April. All suggestions are welcome.

No further business came before the board.

Next monthly meeting: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 1PM at 298 Boston Turnpike, Suite 7.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frances Rozak, Secretary