AUGUST/MID-SEPTEMBER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

2016

PROPOSED EDC PROGRAMS TO BE DISCUSSED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- 1. Establishment of Village of Kinderhook Facebook page.
- 2. Scheduling of Contest to Name Upstairs of Village Hall.
- 3. Approval of Project to Request Designation of Kinderhook Creek as a Designated NYS Inland Waterway

PROMOTION

- 1. Finazlied revisions to Walking Tour Brochure.
- 2. Proofed brochure.
- 3. Revision sent to Peter Blandori.
- 4. Received second proof and approved it.
- 5. Ordered 5,000-run printing of brochure. Awaiting completion of print run.
- 6. Composed letter to Columbia Paper re: Kinderhook business growth. Published August 18, 2016.
- 7. Composed and posted IMBY post re: Dyad Wine Bar and Hudson Valley Magazine.
- 8. Assisted with promotion for Village Wide Yard Sale Day IMBY post, composed and distributed flyers, Facebook, emails, radio announcement, and event calendars. Provided copy to Columbia Paper.
- 9. Composed and distributed materials to advertise Food Truck Village: IMBY, Columbia Paper, WAMC events calendar, Facebook.

EVENTS

- 1. Worked on planning for Food Truck Village.
- 2. Contacted and scheduled group of community teenagers for assisting at Food Truck Village.
- 3. Assisted with finalizing paperwork for Food Truck Village and insurance papers.
- 4. Assisted with set up and clean up for Food Truck Village.

- 5. Arranged for LED Street-closure signage for Food Truck Village.
- 6. Began conceptualizing and contacting potential vendors for a DIY workshop series in the upstairs of Village Hall.
- 7. Met with Rich Phillips re: DIY series organization and fees.

COMMUNITY/BUSINESS OUTREACH

- 1. Continued to keep informed about developments re: Persons of Color Cemetery
- and offered assistance when appropriate, including networking recommendations.
- 2. Met with Mayor Dunham, Trustee Puckett, David Smith re: walk through to discuss repairs to interior of upstairs of Village Hall.
- 3. Continued outreach to local nonprofits re: use of upstairs of Village Hall while

awaiting information on repairs.

- 4. Met with Julia Turschen of Accord, New York, to discuss and share Kinderhook's economic development strategies.
- 5. Provided local realtors with copies of Columbia Paper letter to the editor re: business growth in Kinderhook and copies of Columbia County: Livable, Historic article from Times Union of September 16, 2016, to share with potential property buyers and leasers.
- 6. Met with Lindowen's to arrange to write an article on their business.
- 7. Researched information concerning vitacultural (re: grape growing and vineyards) designated areas by contacting NYS, to affirm inclusion of Columbia County, and provided information to local realtors who may be representing land sales.
- 8. Assisted with arranging for tree to be planted outside of The Flammerie on Hudson Street.
- 9. Proposed distribution of generic poster for The School I Jack Shainman Gallery and Kinderhookawaiting response.
- 10. Discussed and met re: planning for car show with Bill Laraway and Paul Calcagno. Spring 2017.

RESEARCH AND LIAISON FOR GRANTS

NYS LIGHTING STUDY GRANT - New York State Office of Parks and Recreation -

Historic Preservation

- 1. Letters requesting proposals from lighting engineers sent out.
- 2. Followed up by telephone with Mike Meyers, lighting engineer, re: lighting study.
- 3. Worked with Mike Meyers and Mayor Dunham to revise project scope.
- 4. Contract for lighting study still to be finalized.
- 5. Contract on Grants Gateway to be signed by Mayor Dunham.
- 3. Liaisoned with Dan McEneny of Office of Parks and Recreation re: next steps for lighting study grant.

PROPOSAL FOR PROJECT TO REQUEST DESIGNATION OF KINDERHOOK CREEK AS A DESIGNATED NYS INLAND WATERWAY

- 1. Met with Mayor Dunham and former trustee Brian Murphy to discuss designation.
- 2. Contacted NYS Department of State to determine that Village of Kinderhook could spearhead the request for legislation for Kinderhook Creek.
- 3. Received confirmation from NYS Department of State for above.
- 4. With Brian Murphy developed a plan to solicit letters of support from communities along the Kinderhook Creek. See email to all trustees sent previously outlining the proposed plan.