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Sept. 8, 2009

**Mission: To act as a clearinghouse for Six Corners Association activities**

ORG = Organization Committee report

ECON = Economic Development Committee report

DES = Design Committee report

PRO = Promotions Committee report

Item	Information	Action
Introductions	In attendance were (3): Joe Angelastri, chair, Vincent Mastromauro and Ed Bannon	NA
Approval of minutes	Vince M. made a motion to approve the minutes from the Aug. 11, 2009, meeting and Joe A. seconded it	Minutes approved.
ORG: Financial reports	The financial reports were received. Revenues are on track with interest and membership below budget. Expenses are well within budget with adequate resources remaining for snow removal.	Reported accepted.
ORG: Main Street certification	A visit to Crystal Lake is scheduled for Sept. 10, which will complete the site visit portion of our requirements. Vince M. asked what the benefits of certification are. Ed B. explained that there are not really monetary benefits, but the main benefit is getting everyone trained in the Main Street approach. Because the approach depends on the four points -- organizing, design, economic restructuring and promotions -- volunteer and incremental improvements, it's important that everyone understand the strategy. If everyone understands the strategy, then we can all work together better. Our major remaining certification requirement is training, which is done by the Illinois Main Street office. We are waiting for the state to announce webinar training dates and then we can mobilize volunteers.	Work on list of possible training attendees.
ORG: 501 (c) 3 reorganization	Ed B. reported that he reviewed the application to reorganized from a (c) 6 non-profit to a (c) 3. He said the form looked straight forward enough and the National Main Street offers enough guidance that we can fill out the application on our own before considering hiring outside counsel.	Ed B. to start application.
DES:	We are awaiting word that the construction contract has	NA

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Streetscape	been awarded. We are told construction is still planned to start Oct. 1.	
DES: Snow removal	RFPs have been distributed to numerous vendors. The deadline is Sept. 28.	Follow-up to ensure bids.
DES: Holiday decorations	RFPs have been distributed to a few vendors. The deadline is Sept. 28.	Follow-up to ensure bids
ER: Rent subsidy	The rent subsidy draft application has been sent to the city for review. The Law Department is reviewing it. We are waiting for a response.	Ed B. to request response.
ER: Metra station	The next step in this process was discussed. Being at a bit of a standstill, it was decided that more information is needed to get things moving. The information must come from an outside reliable source. The committee discussed hiring a transportation or planning consultant to write a feasibility study. The report could be presented in early 2010 in conjunction with a tour of NW Side stations. It was also suggested that we contact the Old Irving Park Association and Portage Park Neighborhood Association to suggest the topic for a future joint meeting.	Contact planning consultants and community organizations.
PRO: Six Cornucopia	Final plans are being completed for the Six Cornucopia.	NA
PRO: Monster Film Fest	Svengoolie has been contracted and advertising has begun.	NA
Adjournment	Adjourned about 2 p.m. The next meeting of the Organizing Committee will also be an SSA #28 Commissioners meeting at 1 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 13, at Bank of America, 4901 W. Irving Park Road, in the stage conference room.	Meeting adjourned.