The Town of Central – Community Engagement Committee

Monthly Meeting – March 18th, 2019

I. Welcome and Introductions

a. In attendance: Brandi Simmons, Greg Demetri, Brittany Bickel, Chad Carson, Sarah Hayes, Courtney Bailey, Debbie Peek, Daniel Evatt, Phillip Mishoe, and Cathy Putnam.

II. Community Updates

- a. Walking Trail (Cross Creek, Spring Forest Loop)
 - i. \$1.3 million grant.
 - ii. Walking trail from downtown caboose to connect to SWU is in process, and could take up to two years to complete.
- b. New and Potential Businesses
 - i. Jitters Brewing hopes to be open by the end of April!
 - ii. Depot Dog is up and running, adding new tables soon.
 - iii. Cathy Putnam is looking for a space for a gift shop.

III. Upcoming Events

- a. Road Race-3/23, 8:00am start time (30 minute waves)
- b. Upstate Trailblazers Forum-3/23, 11:00am-12:30pm
 - i. Discussion with Friends of the Green Crescent Trail at the Roller Mill
 - ii. Volunteers needed!
 - iii. Food and beer available and live music.
- c. Bus Rodeo-3/23, 8:00am (mentioned at February meeting)
 - i. Location, The Pit on Clemson's Campus
 - ii. Winner of the state will advance to the nationals
- d. Community Wide Yard Sale @SWU-3/30
 - i. 33 spots sold
 - ii. SWU apparel will be available as well.
- e. Movies on Main-April 26th
 - i. The group listed some more ideas for movie options. Need to pick a movie by the end of the month.
- f. Railroad Festival April 27th, 10:00am-5:00pm (mentioned at last meeting)
 - i. 4th Saturday April, 27th.
 - ii. Buffalo Bills, Tap Dancers, Food, Karate performers, Music, and train rides for children.
- g. Disk Golf Tourney-Spring May 11-12 The Tiger Town Throw Down (Amateurs) and May 18th -19th (Pro)
- h. Steak Cook Off-Spring
 - i. \$150 per team to enter.
 - ii. SWU offered to be the site for the cook-off.

- iii. Wilson Meats and Patrick Square butcher, potential partners for event.
- iv. SWU Apartments could be used for competitors and their families.
- v. SWU Jazz band could be entertainment.
- IV. Partner Updates
- V. Open Discussion
 - a. Cathy shared information from a friend on how they have utilized different resources around trains. We could potentially tap into those to bring some of them to Central.
- VI. Next Meeting
 - a. Monday, April 15th -6:30pm
- VII. Adjourn
 - a. 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brandi Simmons