

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
February 1, 2023

Call to Order

Doris called meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

Nancy Manlove	<i>present</i>	Clare Towery	-
Jamie MacDonald	-	Edward Lock	<i>present</i>
Heather Tuggle	<i>present</i>	Michelle Mitcham	
Lynda Schubring	<i>present</i>		
Ashley Brown	-	Isaac Recinos	<i>present</i>
Doris Michalak	-	Sebastian Marquis	<i>present</i>
Rachel Beazley	<i>present</i>	Robert Basford	<i>present</i>
Robyn Taylor	<i>present</i>	Maria Thorne	<i>present</i>

Approval of Minutes from 1-4-22

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Edward and was seconded by Heather.

Citizen Comments

Citizen Bruce Marshall spoke about having the classic cars at Founders Day and asked staff to let him know if they were interested in having them there.

Citizen Kimberly Nolan wants to see more emphasis placed on the jersey cows and the dairy farm history of the city during events.

Items for individual consideration

a. Fall Frolic

Isaac talked about the haunted house company that we are looking at. They are only available on Friday, October 27th. The haunted house would require 10 volunteers to be actors and we would have to sign a contract soon if we decide to do it. The committee members want to go ahead with the haunted house and all agreed with charging a small fee of \$3 to \$5 for entry. Fall Frolic is tentatively scheduled for October 27. We need to find out if the high school is having a football game on that night. Robert brought up the rain plan for the haunted house and Isaac said that the backup location would be the Auditorium.

b. Founders' Day

Isaac gave an update about Founders' Day. He has 10 food trucks and 6 carnival games signed up so far. Isaac asked for the committee's help in soliciting more carnival games or booths. There is one musical act lined up so far for the battle of the bands. There are 3 lifeguards available to work the event.

We have sold 7 wristbands and one VIP parking pass to date on Amilia SmartRec. Robert talked about the layout of the event including the location of VIP and ADA Parking. He stated that those that park in the bus loop won't be able to leave until the very end due to pedestrians crossing and police barricades.

The JVSO is having a meeting to organize the Bingo. The JVWG is planning the cake walk.

Isaac is working with Ashley on the Kroger and HEB applications for the cake donations. Robert mentioned DK and PK in the morning that do live podcasts. Isaac said that he would contact a local radio station.

Nancy gave an update on chili cook-off. She is updating registration form but would like to have layout information so that she can put it in the packet and she would also like some colored flyers. The cook-off will be set up in the pool parking lot. She has recruited some judges, and is looking for people with culinary background. Last year's champion is returning to compete again. Nancy talked about registering this cook-off so that the winner could qualify to attend the 56th World Chili Cook-off competition at Myrtle Beach at their own expense if they desired. Nancy would like to approach local restaurants to see if they would provide the meat for the contest.

Isaac talked about getting the food permit application from the county. He will meet with Josh and Nancy stated that she would like to be present as well. Nancy asked if there was any update about sponsors for the cook off and Heather said that she would contact a possible sponsor.

Isaac talked about needing to get volunteers. We need more. He is waiting to hear from JV NHS. Inflatables will need supervision and the minimum age for volunteers 16. May put up signs with rules.

Help is needed for the hospitality tent. Isaac will contact CERT to see if they will be available. Isaac asked committee members to get the word out that volunteers are needed. Volunteers will be invited to the April meeting so that we can communicate plans.

Parks and Recreation Directors Report

Restrooms at Clark Henry Park are locked due to vandalism. Need to get power run and network upgrades to them so that cameras can be installed.

The new golf carts were ordered but supply issues are causing delays. The company is doing a buy back of the old golf carts as part of the deal.

We are hosting a GFAA state qualifier here. July 17th Monday. The pool opens May 27th

Park benches and the dog park pavilion were talked about. Carol Fox project will finish end of February. The new sand, play structures, and shade structure will be finished by summer.

Future agenda item request

Easter egg hunt for the April agenda.

Next Meeting Date

3-8-23

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Robyn and was seconded by Lynda.