Parks & Recreations Meeting

Next Meeting: September 14th

August 10, 2016
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Recorded By: Nikki Carter

Key
P = Present
A = Absent
X = not a member during that month
R = Resigned

Approval of minutes by Matt
Seconded by Pat
Old Business:
- Music Festival one of the best we’ve had
- Need better sound system / speakers
- Beer Garden all good comments through Jim
- Alicia Miller wants to attend a future meeting to follow up on the beer garden. She has concerns that it is going out to bid next year so she doesn’t want to share all of her info
- Jim will work on an additional entrance for the bands to come in later
- Will rectify parking lot schematic for next year
- The ROTC was already booked but the Explorers gave a hand
- Going to start interviewing bands for next year
- RV contact for the bands to have a changing area
- The amusements closed a little too early
- We did have a vendor issue with a bad check that has not been rectified – this vendor will not be welcomed back next year
- The shaving cream pie contest was not successful
- The BMX was a good effort but not enough return
- Same issues with the hot air balloon – looking at replacing the balloon with a helicopter
- Ernie Carbone has a contact for the new marketing and she was very impressed with the event
- Jim has not heard anything negative
- Next year there will not be a dance recital to conflict with the event
- Need to get different radios
- Need more exit signs in the vendor area
- Hospitality should be set up the night before and the water needs to be cold
- Need bigger spaces in the food court area
- Change vendor closing time to 4pm for check ins
- No dogs! Need to be signs and flyers
- Need more glow sticks
- 4th of July postponed for a day and had biggest crowd ever

New Business:
- Next event Fall Festival and Halloween Parade – letters are going out for the parade tomorrow. Need judges and a grand marshal. Bring suggestions next month.
- Jim will provide a tentative schedule next meeting for the 2017 events and meetings
- Summer Camp has been tremendous this year
- Jamesway / Rush parking lot we need to approach the owner about getting in and out of there for the parade – this needs to be a priority
- Sept 24 MDS walk – encourage people to come out – starts at 9am

Public Portion:
- Alfia from Williamstown Rotary Club to present a Halloween Costume Contest for dogs – there will be 3 categories of competition and would like to have some vendors and educational speakers
- They are hoping to get the K9 unit for the event
- Looking for help to get the word out
Council Report:
- Currently any members under 70% are going to start getting letters about being replaced – Council is cracking down on attendance
- Bob saw a zip line at Rowan and he thought it was cool. They run 120-150 people through it in an hour. It might be worth looking into for the Music Festival next year – 220’ long maybe even get a vendor to sponsor it

Motion to close by Rose
Seconded by Donna
Adjournment: 7:46pm