

Parks & Recreations Meeting

Next Meeting: October 14th

September 9, 2015

Call to order: 7:03 pm

Pledge

Member	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Patricia Adams	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	A			
Barbara Grimm	P	P	P	P	P	P		A	P			
Megan Grimm	P	P	P	P	P	P		A	P			
Tina Heffner	P	P	P	A	P	A		P	A			
Sherril McIlvaine	P	P	P	P	P	A		P	P			
Carmella Neira	X	X	X	X	P	P		P	P			
Donna Park	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P			
Jeanette Remsen	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P			
Brent Salvadori	P	A	A	P	A	P		P	P			
Matthew Scardino	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	A			
Clorinda Scarfo	P	A	P	P	A	P		A	P			
Philip Scarfo	A	A	P	P	A	P		A	P			
Irene Stiles	P	P	P	A	P	P		P	P			
Linda Teefy	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P			
Rose Wohlfarth	A	P	P	A	P	P		P	P			
Council												
Bob Heffner	P	P	P	A	P	A		A	P			
Director												
Jim Bonder	P	A	P	A	P	P		P	P			

Recorded By: Nikki Carter

Key

P = Present

A = Absent

X = not a member during that month

R = Resigned

No meeting

Approval of minutes by Jeanette

Seconded by Linda

Old Business:

Mayor Teefy has been emailed by a resident asking to have a menorah added to the lights down Main Street. The Mayor doesn't have a problem with this but would it lead to other religions? Linda mentioned it is not a religious lighting as there are no nativity so the menorah is actually religious whereas the lighting is just the Santa aspect. Philip mentioned that will be next and then where do we stop? Brent said the tree lighting has been a custom and why change it? Irene thinks this person's group should put together a proposal and bring it to the committee. Irene doesn't feel it is our responsibility but let them propose something if they want to set it up and run it. Sherri thinks Irene makes a good point. Jeanette mentioned our signs say "tree lighting", not Christmas tree lighting. Sherri also mentioned if we add a menorah then do we have an obligation to light it as tradition states? This event is not based on religion it is based on tradition. All of the lights in town are holiday tradition related, not religious.

New Business:

- Fall Festival task list provided
- Sherri will notify the police – but Tiffany said she already sent a letter
- Megan will send the invites
- Jim is handling the staff
- Barbara will reach out to ROTC / HS for volunteers
- Advertising is already handled, lawn signs are ordered, info for banners is ordered, flyers for festival are done
- Candy is already here and the bags should be in any day
- Commission meet at 6pm on 10/14 for bag stuffing
- 800 pumpkins are ordered along with hay, cornstalks and mums
- Still need to fabricate the last trailer
- Snack stand will be open, a few other vendors are being offered spots
- Slide / activities are ordered – there will be 4 this year
- Ponies are ordered for the pony rides
- We have 2 popcorn machines but one is in bad shape – Jim will look into getting a new one
- K9 demo must be on a field with grass if we want them – Jim said we can use the senior field – Sherri will make contact
- Sherri will also take care of the fire truck
- Meet day of festival at 630am
- Jim will order popcorn / bags / butter and salt (Sam's Club)
- 15 scenes for the hayride – need volunteers to set up and break down
 - Graveyard – Sherri
 - Scarecrows / crows
 - Cats / bats / rats
 - Pumpkin patch – Barbara
 - Ghost Hotel – Megan
 - Pirates & Owls
 - Spiders and webs – Tiffany
 - Spiders & bear
 - Sunflowers
 - Cornstalks & Candy Corn – Clorinda

Bob Suggested reaching out to the boy scouts and girl scouts and Grand Theater to do scenes and remind them they cannot be scary.

- Parade – Rose has suggested asking Helene Reed to be the Grand Marshall. Any other suggestions? Sherri will reach out to Ms. Reed to see if she is available. Dan suggested the HS baseball team as a back up. Sherri also suggested her dad as another back up and Barbara suggested Harvey Caan. Sherri will make contact. All in favor of Helene Reed, none opposed.
- All letters have been sent out to string bands
- Lights are handled for St Mary's
- Need parade Judges – Tara Park, Tara Price and Bob will check on a third judge (male)
- Meet for parade at 530pm
- Mayor Teefy will emcee
- Pat will do registrations at St Mary's and Clorinda will assist
- Bob will do the line up and Sherri will take over when Bob has to leave
- Jim is handling the trophies
- Registrations are starting to come in

Mayor's Report:

Monroe Twp is #1 in the county in Narcam use and some people think this is a bad image for the town. There will be a town hall meeting this Sunday at 2pm.

Malaga Road is open with a new speed bump.

Jeanette: The Alliance has a program to educate teachers about drugs. They are having another session at Aletto's in Almonesson at 530pm on 9/23 which is open to the public.

Jim's Report:

- The Mayor has given support to start work on the Duffy house – starting with bids on interior construction.
- The library will probably become history. To fix the building would be \$100-125k. The mold is overwhelming. They are also getting costs to demolish.
- Moving forward with the playground at Duffy. Hoping to start this project by spring.
- Jim met with an agent from Center Stage. He wants to come in and take over management of the entertainment for the music festival. Jim invited him to the meeting but then decided we really don't need his services and figured he would bring it to the commission himself.
- Sensational Soul Cruisers – in negotiations for 2016 Music Festival. Donna has seen them and Jim is going to see them this weekend.
- Working with the engineer to put in an amphitheater at Owens.

Motion to Close by Linda

Seconded by Megan

Adjournment: 8:27pm