

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
January 5, 2022

Call to Order

Doris called meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Bridget Martinez	<i>present</i>	Lynda Schubring	<i>present</i>
Jamie MacDonald	<i>present</i>	A4 - vacant	
David Lock	<i>present</i>	Michelle Mitcham	<i>present</i>
Charlie Mattair	<i>present</i>	Luke Onorato	<i>present</i>
Ashley Brown	<i>present</i>		
Doris Michalak	<i>present</i>	Isaac Recinos	<i>present</i>
Kristy Holder	<i>present</i>	Sebastian Marquis	<i>present</i>
Glenn Jackoviak	<i>present</i>	Robert Basford	<i>present</i>
Heather Tuggle	<i>present</i>	Maria Thorne	<i>present</i>

Approval of Minutes from 12-1-21

Changes to the minutes were requested by Michelle and by Ashley. Minutes were amended and motion was made to approve minutes by Ashley and was seconded by Glen.

Citizen Comments

None.

Items for individual consideration

Founder's Day Event – Robert

The Founder's Day event will take place on April 9th. Robert met with the fire department about fireworks and has selected the location. He is working with Phoenix Design group for the fireworks. He also contacted two companies about mechanicals (carnival rides), and will schedule site visits with them. During the fireworks, the carnival ride area would be closed down and barricades will be used.

There is space for more than 25 games. He would like to have organizations and businesses sponsor games and activities and make them available to festival attendees for free. He has contacted a company about bulk pricing on plush toys for prizes and giveaways.

There are plans to have a DJ, JVSO will host a Bingo hour, and the Women's Group will host a cake walk. A cow milking contest was brought up. Also discussed were a chili cook off, 2 liter bottle ring toss, a soccer ball kick area and activities planned by the golf course staff.

Robert said that they were thinking about providing the games and bounce houses for free but offering wristbands for sale for a small fee for the carnival rides. They could do presales with the wristbands. The budget for the event was brought up and Robert explained that the goal was to have a zero net impact on the budget.

The layout and location of the DJ and specific activities were also talked about. There was talk about contacting the High School for games, reaching out to some community members, and coordinating with organizations like PALS or Key Club.

Robert said that he would like to have an organization do a show from 8:30 to 9:00. The JV dance team cheerleading squad was mentioned, and also possibly hiring a magician. Having someone from the high school sing National Anthem was also brought up along with having a face painter, a giant cake, a s'mores vendor, and a food court area,

Robert said that he will advertise heavily in the JV star, and on social media. He has plans to create a flyer to let people know schedule of activities.

A rain plan and parking arrangements are being considered. Robert would like to coordinate a meeting with representatives from the schools, the police department, and the fire department.

The event will need lots of volunteers and help setting up. Robert mentioned that he may have to hire people to man the activities. He would like to get things lined out by February and anticipates that the February 2nd committee meeting will be longer in duration.

Ashley stated that she would contact the Boy Scouts to ask them to help run activities.

Parks and Recreation Directors Report

The subject of alcohol at events was discussed with members sharing their thoughts on the matter. During the last portion on the discussion of alcohol, it was brought up by member Bridget Martinez that the police officers and police chief were not covering the event alcohol standards in accordance with the law. Clarification from staff was given that all operations were within TABC laws and met city ordinances for police presence and police duties. Staff reiterated that they will continue to monitor and enforce rules set by TABC and City ordinance while also preparing for additional trash at entrance and exits of events.

Future agenda item request

Next Meeting date 2-2-22

Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Ashley and was seconded by Kristy.