# PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING 

3-6-2024

## Call to Order

Doris called meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

| Edward Lock | present | Karen Fitzgerald | a |
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| Robyn Taylor | present | Molly Slaid | present |
| Heather Tuggle | $a$ | Michelle Mitcham | a |
| Lynda Schubring | a | Isaac Recinos | present |
| Ashley Brown | a | Alexander Harris | present |
| Doris Michalak | present | Sebastian Marquis | a |
| Rachel Beazley | present | Robert Basford | present |
| Thomas Huebner | $a$ | Maria Thorne | present |

## Approval of Minutes from 2-7-24

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

## Citizens Comments

Kimberly Henao said that she is looking forward to Founders' Day and also mentioned that there is a CIRT meeting tonight at the fire station. She also volunteered her yard for Youth Triathlon sign.

## Items for individual consideration

a. Concert in the Park (Quick Update) March 23, 6-9

- Had meeting with police and fire about concert in park and triathlon.
- Everything is ready to go, there are no jobs to do at this event.
- There are no changes to the plan. We are expecting 500 to 1000 persons.
- TABC details have been taken care of.
b. Founders day
- The biggest change is that we have replaced the chili cook-off with an art competition with the theme of "My JV". All of the judge positions have been filled and we have 7 kids registered so far. The art teacher at the High school will be one of the judges.
- Alex is working on getting more carnival games. Staff is also working on marketing wristband sales.
- Of the 70 volunteer positions, there are only 15 left to fill.
- Isaac talked about the plan to sync the DJ Music with the fireworks. Committee members decided to keep the music with the fireworks as a surprise
- Isaac is talking with Karie Lawrence about the cake walk.


## c. Triathlon update - May 5th

- Rachel talked about the meeting with police and fire
- Registration is at 40 , but will close on April $8^{\text {th }}$.
- Cross promoting the event.
- Added another age group for 13 to 14 year olds.
- The run club was discussed
- Committee is looking for one more sponsor
- Some of the public schools are restricting outside information from their newsletters.
- Adult volunteers are needed for the triathlon to help watching the route at street corners to make sure that the kids can cross the streets.
- The time period will be about 8 am to 11am.
d. July 4 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Event
- Event will take place from 7:15 to 9:30pm.
- Site Map - everything will be set up the same as last year.
- The music, and stage, have been ordered.
- Still need to order generators, message board and restroom trailers.
- For the parade route, entrants will line up at the Post bus loop.
- Isaac asked if we should have a BBQ and Lemonade competitions. Committee members want to eliminate the lemonade competition.
- Doris will contact a lead that she got to see if she can get someone to run the BBQ competition.
e. Carol Fox Playground Subcommittee
- Robert talked about the replacement of the play structure. He has met with the persons who originally planned the playground in 1990. About 400 volunteers worked on the park. Residents paid $\$ 50$ per sidewalk panel to raise funds to build the park.
- Robert stated that he will be forming a subcommittee which will start meeting in March. Robyn and Molly volunteered to be on the subcommittee.
- Miesha is working with Acton Academy to have the students create an underwater themed mural. They want the community to come out Summer Solstice to help paint the wall. We will have a food truck. Then the artists will put the stencils and finishing touches.
- Kimley Horn is the architect that is designing the park. They will have a booth at Founders Day.
- There will be a meeting for the community on Wednesday March 27 . It will be an opportunity to present ideas to the residents and to ask their opinions and suggestions.
- The goal is to somehow keep the message from the sidewalks and implement into the new park. There are about 200 names from the original design. Everyone with a sidewalk was automatically going to be included.
- Picnic area with a nature theme and pavilion was talked about. Maybe the names of the persons who built the playground can be put on the pavilion.
- Thinking about how to open it up to new residents, we might wind up with too many names. Robyn suggested that maybe the new residents could get involved by donating.
- Thinking about doing rubber mulch mixture, making it water themed to keep the shipwreck theme. Would also include decorative lights.


## Parks and Recreation Directors Report

- Restrooms at Clark Henry were vandalized again. There are plans to synch the camera with the FLOCK system so that PD gets notifications; and to add wireless controls for door locks.
- We don't have water at the park right now due to a faulty valve; coordinating with Public Works.
- The pool will be ready to go for the swim team April $17^{\text {th }}$. Applications are being accepted for the formation of a bond committee for the pool.
- There is a contest to choose the name for the restaurant at the clubhouse. Robert did a walk through on Monday. Waiting on furniture and cabinetry to arrive.


## Future agenda item request

## Next Meeting Date

April 3, 2024

## Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Edward and was seconded by Rachel.

