

July 12, 2022 Recreation/Events Mtg.

Members Present: Rich Daubenspeck, Darlene Perna, Bernie Simkins

Members Absent: John Quigley, Sheryl Neely-sick, Steve Coates

Alternates Present: none

Alternates Absent: Jim Kelly, Teresa Six, Mike Marsh

Guest Present: Joe Bilinski,

The March Meeting was called to order by Chairman Daubenspeck in the Recreation Building located on Main Road at 7:00 p.m. one week delayed due to July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

### **Community Day**

Discussion was held on the out of town vendors and if they were allowed to sell. Chairman Daubenspeck stated that out of town vendors could sell provided they pay the \$200.00 registration fee. They cannot sell food items.

Joe Bilinski questioned what would happen, if for example, an out of town Vet wanted to sell and noted that we have the Franklinville Animal Hospital in town and they participate in Community Day. He noted that the day originated to showcase Franklin Township.

Discussion followed on possible conflicts with local businesses. Chairman Daubenspeck noted that we have a large display area and a lot of local businesses fail to participate. There was a feeling that something should be done to fill in the area and promote more interest. Bernie questioned if outside churches could participate.

It was decided that each application would have to be evaluated, for example, an outside Vet's Practice, would be rejected. In the case of outside churches, it was decided that outside nonprofits would not be accepted.

### **Entertainment**

Chairman Daubenspeck reported on the bands for the day and that Dave Cornwell was trying to get a line dance instructor.

Bernie Simkins played a rendition of Frances Scott Key's Star Spangled Banner narrative of how he was influenced to write our National Anthem. Members thought it would be nice to play it right before the fireworks. It was questioned if it was patented, if it could be shortened or perhaps rewritten and then have someone read it at Community Day. Carol Coulbourn suggested former Mayor Harry Kennedy, who is a great speaker, would be a good person to read it.

Joe Bilinski concurred with Carol and noted Harry was on the debating team in college and would be a good choice. It was also suggested that the song "Proud to be an American" should be played as the fireworks begin.

The car show will also be returning. The ROTC will be helping again this year.

Darlene requested a game booth to sell the glow necklaces and having a put, put golf game. She noted we could also use it to promote the Recreation Commission's golf tournament. It was suggested that we could have photos of this year's golf tournament on display and have registration forms available.

It was decided to utilize the tent that Carol uses to sell the tickets for the inflatables. (\*note, last year's tent was very tight, a larger tent should be used) Members all thought it would be a great idea and could be set up in an area close to the tent outside the playground area.

Bernie Simkins reported that his son-in-law has purchased some tents and he will make sure the tents are set up right and taken down properly. In return he uses may use our the tents over the summer. Last year the tents were tossed in the back of the trailer creating a mess.

Chairman Daubenspeck reported that he has a nephew needing service hours and he will be cleaning the Recreation Building. He further reported that Harry Lucas stopped by his house and was resigning from the Recreation Commission. He has some personal issues to be addressed. Chairman Daubenspeck reminded members that we will be wearing Cowboy Hats on Community Day in honor of Ed Anderson, former DPW worker who was a big asset to recreation. Ed passed away from COVID.

Chairman Daubenspeck further reported that he presented the first Recreation Commission's Al Batten Memorial Scholarship Award at Delsea's graduation. He stated that Sheryl Neely will be contacting Al's wife Tammy to see if she would like to help in the Auction tent this year.

Darlene Perna stated that a golf flyer would need to be prepared for Community Day. Joe Bilinski offered to work on the flyer with Darlene.

Upon motion by Mr. Simkins seconded by Mr. Quigley and carried the June minutes were approved as presented. All Members voted in the affirmative.

Carol Coulbourn reported that she had a call about Poison Ivy and dead trees at the Forest Grove Field.

Chairman Daubenspeck stated that was a matter for DPW to address.

Joe Bilinski stated he would get the date for Community Day changed on the sign at the school.

The members will meet on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to stuff envelopes for businesses.

Upon motion by Mr. Quigley seconded by Mr. Simkins the meeting was ordered adjourned at 8:20 p.m. All members voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coulbourn, Secretary