

Fourth of July Committee Meeting

Annual Event Debrief

July 27, 2023

- Call to Order
 - o 6:34pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
 - o 6:34pm
- Roll Call
 - o David Ruell, Tim Alexander, Kendall Hughes, Deb Purdue, Asa Ammarin, Tricia Farris
 - o Katrina Randlett absent with notice
- Treasurer's Report
 - o Reviewed bank statement, income report, and open/outstanding invoices to be paid by vendors.
- Review
 - o Community kick ball
 - A success overall and very well received.
 - Committee pleased with the way things went off.
 - Likely to continue this event going forward.
 - o Corn Hole
 - Two individuals approached committee after the tournament and offered to run the event next year as experienced subject matter experts.
 - Likely to continue this event going forward.
 - o Movie in the park
 - Event was canceled.
 - License is good for a year tbd for when we reschedule.
 - o Pancake Breakfast
 - A success overall.
 - Common Man happy with event as well.
 - Need more change of cash next time around.
 - o Parade
 - Parade went well, we need more music next year.
 - When music artists participate in field events, we will ask folks if they want to participate in the parade.
 - Lacked floats this year likely due to weather.
 - Discussion was held on an issue with a specific float
 - A letter to be written to them expressing the concern.
 - o Food trucks
 - For the most part everything went well.
 - There were some menu changes to what was originally discussed upon contract execution.
 - Several trucks would like to join again next year.
 - o Entertainment

- Chris white set up worked out fantastic.
 - Red Daisy Revival was great and wants to come back next year.
 - National Anthem again as well
 - Kids free games were missed this year
 - Other kid entertainment was well received.
- Fire and police operating on separate channels which caused some communication difficulty.
- Fireworks
 - Not having music during the fireworks this year was pro.
 - Fireworks – we would like to increase the budget next year.
 - 2026 is the 250th anniversary of the signing of the declaration of independence, the fireworks company will have a minimum due to this event.
 - Laser light show could be something we consider in coming years.
- Improvements
 - The 50/50 count and distribution was very close to the firework show starting.
 - Not uncommon for this to happen, happens almost every year.
 - A food eating contest was a recommendation from someone in the public.
 - Hotdogs perhaps?
 - We will consider it next year.
- Good of the order
 - Fourth is on a Thursday next year and many will have the Friday off. We can do a four day event if we so chose to.
 - Full eclipse on 4/8/2024 we could leverage this as an event in our town to fundraise for the fireworks.
- Next meeting is 8/22 @6:30pm.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.