



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Moore, Cheney, Costanzo, Loch, Rondeau

ABSENT: Palmer

OTHERS PRESENT: Recording Secretary Joyce

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**P&R 04-01-17 APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 13, 2017, PARKS AND
RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Cheney seconded Costanzo, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:** To approve the March 13, 2017, Parks and Recreation meeting minutes.

COMMUNICATION: The Lions have been granted approval to move forward with the renovation of the park benches at Riley Park.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Commission went over the preparation list for the event on Saturday, April 15, 2017. It was agreed to meet at 9:00 to do any preparation and cleanup of the park before distributing eggs in the three age group areas of the park. Evan Yezbick, the Easter Bunny, will arrive at 11:00. Port-a-John will be delivered on Friday in time of the event.
2. Farmers Market

Secretary Joyce reported that most of the vendors that have participated on a regular for the past several years will be returning. We have had many inquiries about being a vendor. Hopefully there will be new people joining in. Commissioner Rondeau stated

that she would see if the “The Meat Shop” would be interested in doing the Farmers Market and the other events.

3. Memorial Day Parade

Applications are coming in. Secretary Janell Joyce felt that there were about 30 applications in so far. On Friday, May 5th, Chairman Moore and Secretary Joyce will work on the line up.

Chairman Moore announced that we are honored this year to have Mr. Robert Buck and Mr. Gordon Buck – father and son – as our Grand Marshalls. Mr. Robert Buck served in World War II and Gordon served in Vietnam.

Secretary Joyce has received word that we have been approved for a flyover from the Coast Guard. This, of course, is all subject to change with weather and world circumstances.

It was felt that Commissioners should meet at 8:30 a.m. by Mercer Beach the morning of the parade.

Chairman Moore will contact Shuman Motors regarding vehicles for the Grand Marshalls and politicians.

4. Concerts

Commissioner Costanzo mentioned adding Sims Park to the banners. Commissioner Rondeau has checked with PDQ and has been informed that they can do this and the cost will be minimal. She will follow up with PDQ.

The Commission said that there are several trees that need to be taken down in the Park.

Secretary Joyce has sent out contracts to the bands.

Chairman Moore stated that the band “The Secrets” do not have a P.A. system.

Commissioner Cheney stated that a band – The Lost Hitchhikers -- is interested in our concert series. Chairman Moore will follow up with them.

We need to attempt to get a food vendor since Rock-n-Dawgs is out of business.

5. Market Day/Summer Fest

Commissioner Costanzo stated that the DDA was going to pay for the signage of the event.

Secretary Joyce stated that a couple of vendors that haven't participated in Market Day the past couple of years have turned in their applications.

The Commission will have a booth at the Market Day/Summer Fest to promote the Parks and Rec Commission. There are approximately 15 vendors signed up so far. We are light with food vendors at this point. Commissioner Costanzo has promoted the event on Yelp, Craigs List, Facebook, etc.

Chairman Moore is working on entertainment for the afternoon. The DDA will take over the entertainment at 5 p.m. It was felt that we should attempt to get Dave Downs the sand sculptor back for the event.

Commissioner Rondeau will make sure that Stonecrest is not scheduled for any events on June 24, 2017.

Secretary Joyce stated that someone will need to update the vendor map to incorporate the new vendor space area.

Commissioner Loch asked if we could put out a donation jar for donations to the Parks and Recreation Commission. It was felt that this was an excellent idea.

Traffic flow will be along Liberty, Witherall and Nicolet Streets. Northport can be used for vendor spaces for vendor spacing.

6. Movies in the Park

Movie in the Park event is scheduled for August 26, 2017, with a rain makeup date of September 9, 2017. Commissioner Costanzo said we need to promote the event and try and get donations to defer the costs for next year. Commissioner Loch stated that she felt that the Commission should have a table set up at every event with a donation jar.

Commissioner Costanzo will follow up with the movie equipment company to make sure everything for this year is in order.

Commissioner Loch asked if the concert schedule could be incorporated into the yearly event schedule. Secretary Joyce will add the concert to the yearly schedule.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

The Commission thanked Secretary Janell Joyce and the DPW for their hard work and support to the Parks & Recreation.

P&R 04-02-17 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Moore, seconded by Rondeau, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Janell Joyce
Recording Secretary

Timothy Moore
Chairman