



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

ABSENT: Loch

OTHERS PRESENT: Recording Secretary Joyce

**PR 09-01-16 MOTION TO EXCUSE COMMISSIONER LOCH DUE TO PRIOR
FAMILY COMMITMENTS**

Motion by Cheney, seconded Costanzo, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:** To excuse Commissioner Loch from tonight's meeting due to prior family commitments.

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**PR 09-02-16 APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 8, 2016, PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Rondeau, seconded Palmer, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:** To approve the August 8, 2016, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes.

COMMUNICATION: None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Concert/Movie Make-Up

The final concert of the year drew a large crowd and again it was felt by the Commission that moving the concerts to Hiram Sims Park was a good move. There is now a regular group of people following of the concerts and making it a Wednesday night outing.

The Commission discussed expanding the concerts series next year and bringing on different type of music. Blue Grass and Jazz were suggested. Commissioner Costanzo commented that at the table that Parks and Rec had at Market Day he had a lot of response in regarding to potential bands for next year's concerts.

Both Movie Nights that were scheduled were rained out. Swank Production holds the licensing fee for one year if we reschedule Zootopia. If we go with another movie it will be half off.

Next year rainout dates should also be selected for each concert and movie night.

Commissioner Costanzo will follow up with Great Outdoor Productions to see if the deposit can be carried into next spring/summer.

2. Market Day Wrap-Up

Lots of good comments were received on this year's Market Day. Good response from the vendors as well as the residents/spectators that attended. Vendor, Jim Lambertson wrote a letter to the commission stating how well the event was this year and he felt it was very successful this year. He has been a participant for several years.

This year there were 72 vendors that participated in 93 spaces. There were a few that couldn't make it due to personal or family illness. The Commission would like to keep the event and change the name. It was felt that all Commissioners should think seriously of how to go forward with this event in terms of new ideas and discuss in more detail in the upcoming months. Everyone should check other cities websites for ideas.

Only complaints were one vendor group soliciting sales outside of their booth. They were told a couple of times that they needed to do their sales at their booth and not in the street. And, one food vendor didn't like the fact that he was selling water and the Democrats were giving it away.

Overall, it was felt that the event was successful this year.

It was suggested that the Parks and Recreation Commission set up a table or booth at the Fireworks display.

3. Holiday Tree Lighting

Secretary Janell Joyce presented the commissioners with a flier for the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony.

PR 09-03-16 MOTION TO ACCEPT THE HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY FLIER AS SUBMITTED

Motion by Palmer, seconded Rondeau, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To accept the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony as submitted.

Chairman Moore stated that Bill Ramsey has contacted him and would like to again be our Santa on December 5th at the Tree Lighting Ceremony. Secretary Joyce will contact Mary Gaedt to see if she will again be Mrs. Santa. Power Dance is also interested in performing this year. Mr. Dudzinski, band director at Western High School, sent an email stating they would be attending.

Commissioner Rondeau has contacted the Twirl M's and Deacon Bob from St. Williams to see if they will again be with us.

Commission Palmer will contact Tim Horton's and MacDonald's for donut holes and orange drink. Secretary Joyce will fill out the Meijer donation request.

Chairman Moore will contact Dori Matkowski to see if Dance Dynamics will do their holiday performance.

It was suggested a young person do the lighting of the Christmas tree. Maybe the Library would do a contest to select the child.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

PR 09-04-16 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Moore, seconded by Palmer, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Janell Joyce
Recording Secretary

Timothy Moore
Chairman