

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
City of Walled Lake
February 9, 2015 - 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Chairman Tim Moore

Present: Moore, Cheney, Cole, Palmer, Rondeau
Absent: Costanzo, Yezbick

PR02-01-15 -- Motion to Excuse

Moved by Rondeau, supported by Palmer
Motion to excuse Commissioners Costanzo and Yezbick from tonight's meeting.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM -- Quorum was declared.

CHANGES TO AGENDA – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES --

PR02-02-15 -- Motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2014

Moved by Cheney, supported by Palmer
To approve the minutes of the meeting of November 10, 2014, as submitted.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Holiday Tree Lighting Wrap-Up
The Commission commended the Dance Dynamic performers in the way that they helped with crowd control at the ceremony. They encircled the performing area and were a big help in providing a crowd-free entertainment area. It was suggested that there should be an area for Santa visitors to exit after their visit with him.

It was felt that overall it was the best Tree Lighting Ceremony of all. Entertainment was outstanding. We had approximately 112 children visit Santa and everyone enjoyed the hot cocoa and cookies.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Easter Egg Hunt

Commissioner Rondeau said she has tried calling Market Street Church to see if they were interesting in participating in the event again. She didn't get an answer at the office but Commissioner Rondeau said she would call them again.

The Commission decided to once again purchase chocolate eggs to put in the plastic eggs and have other non-chocolate candy for the children that cannot eat chocolate. We will also purchase the small toys for the egg recycling program. Commissioner Rondeau said she would again purchase the candy and prizes for the egg recycling program.

Commissioner Cole volunteered to put together the prize baskets this year. Three age categories with a price range of \$10 - \$15.

Secretary Joyce has done a flier to go to the schools and be distributed to the public.

Chairman Moore volunteered to come into City Hall and help copy fliers to be distributed to the local schools. It was determined that March 19 or 20th would be a good date to copy the fliers as they should be delivered to the schools on March 24th.

2. Memorial Day Parade

Secretary Janell Joyce said she has completed the Memorial Day Parade application and is hoping to get them in the mail this week to those that participated last year.

The Commission discussed potential Grand Marshalls and decided to ask Wes Goff and Joe Drudge to be our Grand Marshalls this year. Secretary Joyce will send them each a letter asking them to allow us to honor them and their fellow comrades.

PR02-03-15 -- Motion to approve the Memorial Day Parade Application

Moved by Rondeau, supported by Cole

To approve the Memorial Day Parade Application as submitted.

VOTE:

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

3. Concerts

The Commission had discussion on the bands that are interested in performing in the City this summer. The Commission would like to have "Magic Bus" but it would take most of the budget to have them perform.

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There was also discussion on having a concert at Sims Park. Parking is again a drawback for a concert at Sims Park. The Commission would have to check out the layout of the park and check the electrical system.

It was felt that the bands that performed last year should also be given an opportunity again this year. Chairman Moore will contact them and see if they are interested and what dates they are available. Chairman Moore will also check in with Marshall Music to see if there would be any “garage” bands to perform for free to get exposure.

It was felt that the pizza and pop sales that were done at the one concert last year was successful and could be a good money making opportunity for banner, etc. It was felt that it should be continued again this year.

Discussion will continue again next month as we have more information on the bands that performed last year.

4. Farmers Market

Secretary Janell Joyce is planning to mail Farmers Market applications within the next two weeks. She also gave an update on vendor Glenn Cappella, a produce vendor for many years. Mr. Cappella was in an accident that entailed a tractor landing on top of him. He is currently in Beaumont Hospital with internal injuries.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

The Commission thanked the DPW Department for their work and Janell Joyce for her work with the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janell Joyce
Recording Secretary

Tim Moore, Chairperson
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