PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION City of Walled Lake March 14, 2016 - 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was	called to	order at 7:45	p.m. by	Chairman	Tim Moore
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Present:

Moore, Cheney, Costanzo, Rondeau

Absent:

Loch, Palmer

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM – Quorum was declared.

CHANGES TO AGENDA - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES --

PR03-01-16 -- Motion to approve the minutes of February 8, 2016.

Moved by Costanzo, supported by Rondeau

To approve the minutes of the meeting of February 8, 2016, as submitted.

VOTE:

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: *Brain Wozny arrived at 8:20 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers

<u>PR03-02-16</u> -- Motion to re-elect officers Moved by Cheney, supported by Rondeau

Motion to re-elect the current officers.

VOTE:

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

2. Easter Egg Hunt

The Commissioners went over the Easter Egg Preparation list and everything looks like it is on schedule. Commissioners should arrive at Sims Park between 9:30 and 10:00 to spread Easter eggs and put up signs. Public starts to arrive at about 11:00.

Commissioner Rondeau will put together the prize baskets. Evan Yezbick is once again our Easter Bunny.

Commissioner Costanzo will put a map on Facebook should anyone need directions. Commissioner Cheney has made the stake signs to be put up. Secretary Joyce thanked Chairman Moore for coming into City Hall and copying the fliers that will go out to the schools.

Secretary Joyce has ordered Starburst, Hershey kisses, chocolate Easter Eggs, and tootsie rolls for the Easter eggs. Activity books have been ordered for the children who turn in their eggs for recycling. We will hold back a couple hundred eggs for those that don't get very many eggs.

3. Farmers Market

Secretary Joyce has sent out the applications for this year's market and applications have started to come back in. First day of the market is scheduled for Wednesday, May 4 2016.

4. Memorial Day Parade

We have two potential parade grand marshals from the World War II era. Chairman Tim Moore will attempt to get their addresses so a letter can be sent to them inviting them be a grand marshal.

Parade applications have been sent out and are coming back.

5. Concerts

Chairman Moore has contacted the bands that the Commission decided to ask back this year. He has heard back from Groove Therapy and they would like to do June 15th or July 13th. Laughing Madmen have selected Jun 8th, June 22nd, or June 29th. G.L. Bums will be glad to perform this year but dates will be selected at their next practice session. Last Man Standing is willing to perform for free this year and has open availability. Commissioner Cheney stated that the G.L. Bums would be a good band to perform at the Villa. Their music fits the age group that resides at the Villa.

The Commission decided to have concerts on the following dates:

Groove Therapy – June 15 Laughing Madmen – June 22 Last Man Standing – June 8 G. L. Bums – To Be Determined

Commissioner Cheney reported that unfortunately the Juarez Sisters are no longer together.

Location of concerts will be determined at the April meeting.

* Brian Wozny of the Department of Public Works arrived and wanted to thank the Parks and Recreation Commission for the lunch that was given to them. Chairman Moore and Secretary Joyce provided pizza, salad, and soda to the department as a thank you for all that they do to help the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Brian Wozny said we should advertise the concerts on the water bill in a larger font. He feels the dates should be selected and put on the water bills as soon as possible. He also suggested that we should get local churches to help advertise the concerts.

Condo associations do not get water bills so possibly fliers to residents in the Condo associations.

There was discussion of possibly moving the concerts to a different area. The City Event field next to the City complex was mentioned as well as the Park on Gamma Street. Parking is limited on Gamma Street but the Walled Lake Commons parking lot is a short distance away. Hiram Sims Park was also suggested. Parking is very limited at Hiram Sims but it could possibly pull in the local residents who could walk.

It was also suggested to bring on DJ's. DJ's may draw the younger crowd.

The Commission discussed getting banners for the City Sign areas. It was suggested to get banners done in bright colors and do something very attention getting. PDQ Signs knows the dimensions of the sign and is good with putting ideas together. Commissioner Rondeau will go to PDQ and talk to them about what can be done for banners. It was suggested she get some proposals from them and bring the idea back for approval. There are six banner posting areas within the City. Commissioner Rondeau will check with PDQ on getting six banner signs and approximately 15 wire signs. It was suggested to put the City website on the banner/signs for concert dates and locations.

Brian also suggested getting business cards made for the concerts. They can be handed out to the public. These cards are available for 500 cards for \$10.00.

The Commission thanked Brian Wozny for stopping in and giving the Commission some new fresh ideas.

6. Movies in the Park

The Commission went over movie selections from the catalog that Commissioner Costanzo brought. Some of the selections were:

- Goonies
- Minions
- Nemo

Commissioner Costanzo said they had discussed August 20 for the first movie this summer and felt that if a second one is held it should be in September if possible. He said we don't have to pick a movie at this time but we need to secure the license. Securing camera operator and equipment with Great Outdoor Movies is what is needed to be done as soon as possible.

7. Market Day

Secretary Janell Joyce reported that she has sent out 161 applications for Market Day which will be August 28th this year. She has had several new vendors call expressing interest.

Chairman Tim Moore was asked to get in touch with Dori Matkowski at Dance Dynamics to see if she will once again line up the entertainment portion of Market Day.

Gabe Costanzo said he would get in touch with the owner of Bayside to see if we can use their parking lot for the Memorial Day Parade.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Commission thanked Janell Joyce and the DPW crew for their work and efforts.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janell Joyce

Recording Secretary

Tim Moore, Chairperson

Parks & Recreation Commission