

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
City of Walled Lake
October 13, 2014 - 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Chairman Tim Moore

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

PR10-01-14 -- Motion to Excuse

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM – Quorum was declared.

CHANGES TO AGENDA – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES --

PR10-02-14 -- Motion to approve the minutes of September 8, 2014

Moved by Rondeau, supported by Costanzo
To approve the minutes of the meeting of September 8, 2014, as submitted.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

The Commission went over the list of things that needs to be done before the Tree Lighting Event. Chairman Moore said he has contacted Dance Dynamics and they are willing to once again provide us with holiday entertainment. Commissioner Rondeau

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will follow up with the Twirl-M's as they had also indicated that they would like to participate. Secretary Joyce said that the students at Premier Pre-School will once again provide us with holiday songs.

Secretary Joyce has emailed the band directors from all three of the Walled Lake High School bands. The event this year is the Monday after Thanksgiving and the schools are usually closed on this day. She will continue to follow up with the directors to see if we can get a group to provide outdoor music before the event starts.

Amie Kupovitz would like to help with the event in any capacity that she can. The Commission was glad to hear that she would be joining us again.

Secretary Joyce has filed a donation request with Kroger's and she will pick up the form at Meijers this next week.

The DDA office has a 48 cup coffee maker that they are willing to give to the Parks & Recreation Commission. The Commission had wanted to purchase a 100-cup machine, which would run about \$135.00; but it was felt that the 48-cup coffee maker would be sufficient and the money could be spent elsewhere. Secretary Joyce said she would be glad to once again bring her coffee maker to the event for use.

Commissioner Rondeau has lined up Deacon Bob of St. Williams to do the Invocation. And, we will once again have Bill Ramsey and Mary Gaedt as Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus.

There was discussion on doing an appreciation plaque for those that have helped with the event over the years. Secretary Joyce said she did one several years ago for Tim Lynch. She will try and find it for the November meeting.

Loretta Whitt was selected to be the child to help with the switch to light up the Holiday Tree in front of City Hall. The Commission decided to ask Mayor Ackley to choose a second individual.

It was suggested to actually do a contest for the 2015 event. Probably would have to start this in September.

Chairman Moore volunteered to help with the copying of the Holiday Fliers to be distributed at the schools.

2. Meeting Date Schedule

The Commission verified that all of the dates for meetings next year were correct.

** Commissioner Cole arrived at 8:08 p.m.

PR10-03-14 -- Motion to approve 2015 Meeting Schedule

Moved by Cheney, supported by Rondeau

To approve 2015 Meeting Date Schedule as submitted.

VOTE:

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

3. 2015 Event Schedule

The Commission would like to attempt to do more events so there was discussion on events that the Commission could host. The group would like to do a winter themed event such as the ice festival that was held several years ago. Other ideas were a fall harvest/pumpkin themed event. Movie night in the Park was also an idea that the Commission would like to host.

It was felt that everyone should come to the next meeting with two ideas that they would like the Commission to go forward with. The Commission can then move forward to make a game plan and propose it to City Council.

PR10-04-14 -- Motion to approve 2015 Event Schedule

Moved by Rondeau, supported by Palmer

To approve 2015 Event Schedule as submitted.

VOTE:

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

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 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janell Joyce
Recording Secretary

Tim Moore, Chairperson
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