

10 July 2021 Swansea Park Board Meeting Minutes

Norman Lehr Building, Mel Price Park

Members Present: Rose Connors Barb Kimutis Mike Koeneman David McGhee Diane Wickline
Jonas Wilson

Village Liaison: Marilyn Neumeyer Guests: Mike Buelhorn Brian McQuire

Chairman Mike opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 am, followed by discussion of Agenda Items.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve 12 June 2021 minutes, with the correction of removing the final sentence under the Adult Treasure Hunt, by Barb, second by David. Motion approved.

Halloween Children's Event: The Swansea Boo Fest will take place on Saturday, Oct 23d. Children are welcome at 4:00 pm ending at 8:00 pm. Possibility of a bounce house and ride. Games, trunk or treat, a graveyard, a very scary witch who boils bones in a cauldron and pumpkin painting. Hot dogs, brats, chili, hot chocolate for sale. Fire Dept on site. All children welcome, there is no charge to attend. The only variable is the weather.

Adult Treasure Hunt: Doors open at 6:30, treasure hunting starts at sunset. The same three people will determine collection area and signal time each group will begin hunting. 15 locations for containers of pirates' booty. Each treasure hunter is limited to one container from each location. Cap't Graybeard will not make finding his treasure easy. Just before the hunt begins, instructions will be announced. There will also be a numbered instruction sheet and a clue sheet in each booty bag. TWM will provide a large compass which we will place in the middle of the driveway to help treasure hunters find their next clue. Ten-minute warning will signal the end of the hunt; everyone is to bring their booty inside. Anticipate having a pirate theme background where booty hunters can take their picture, post to Swansea Facebook and earn an extra prize. Tickets will be drawn until all prizes are awarded. Extra tickets may be purchased. Price of one booty bag, \$15; two booty bags, \$25. Payment options are cash, check or card.

Highest value prizes, so far, are 65-inch TV, 12-gal shop vacuum and a McGillicutty guitar. All members are encouraged to look for higher value prizes as this is our first treasure hunt. Also need smaller value prizes.

Waiting for confirmation of DJ. Sound system will be in place. Dram shop license is secured. Village is providing insurance. Choice of food truck not confirmed. August Park Board meeting changed to Aug 7. Set-up tables and chairs Thurs, Aug 12, at 6:30pm. Notify Rick Tucker that we will need extra trash cans and liners.

Marilyn is having flyers printed for distribution at Schnucks and by Park Board members. In addition to flyers, suggest two banners, one in front of the Police Dept, the other, with permission of the landowner, at Huntwood and 159.

Pavilion & Building Rentals: Trustee Brian McGiure met with Park Board members and Liaison Marilyn Neumeyer to discuss the overwhelming amount of trash and the amount of time required for street department personnel to dispose of the trash. This takes away from necessary grass mowing. Several ideas were presented.

Park Use for Hoyleton Youth and Family Services (Back to School): Ms Robinson is a Village resident, all paperwork has been completed and paid. Motion to approve by David, second, Barb.

Other Committee Reports: None. Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Dallas wants a grant application to entirely replace Swansea Kingdom. Consensus of members present is that composite material is in good shape and does not need to be replaced, some wooden boards need to be replaced and the wood section needs to be painted. Motion to repair and repaint wood section of Swansea Kingdom by Rose, second Diane. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Jonas commented on the playground in Mel Price Park. He has a small child and is often at the playground. Much of the play equipment is in disrepair, the tire swing is gone, the shredded rubber covering the higher traffic areas is gone, exposing rusty metal underneath.

General Discussion: Rose made a power point presentation listing some "Please don't litter" signs; she also suggested recycle containers for cans and bottles.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by David, second by Rose at 8:30 am.

Submitted by Diane Wickline