

19 October 2019 Swansea Park Board Meeting Minutes

Norman Lehr Bldg, Mel Price Park

Members Present: Dave Chevess      Rose Connor      Barb Kimutis      Mike Koeneman      Ryan Maitland  
David McGhee      Diane Wickline      Jonas Wilson      Jim Wolfe

Village Liaison: Marilyn Neumeyer      Guests: Mike Buehlhorn      Matt Lynch

President Mike opened meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00am, followed by discussion of Agenda Items.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve 10 August minutes, without “no sponsors for pets”, made by Ryan, second by Rose.

Finalize Spook-Tacular Event: Plan on 8:30am Sat morning for set-up. Mike K. recommended we have 3 evenings set aside for getting things ready. Wed, Thurs, Fri evenings are set aside from around 6:pm to around 9:00pm at Lehr Bldg. If we all come as many evenings as we can, everything will ready to put in place Sat morning.

David and Dave C. will work graveyard set up. We have enough jug lights for around our event area, but not enough for walkway to fountain. We have 16 trunk or treat vehicles. That takes all available parking spots. We still need lights for ring of ghosts and Santa House needs light bulbs. Enlist help of older, responsible teens to help with games; as well help from Fire Dept for take down. Received \$200 donation from Rocky.

Food – Need roaster for hot dogs. Prices – chili dogs \$3; hot dogs \$2; chili bowl \$2; soda, water and 12 oz cup hot chocolate \$1 each. Set up food in same area as last year. Plan for rain day alternate.

Clinton Hills Fundraiser Event: On the upside, the event was so much fun. The dueling pianos musicians were so talented, audience participation great, the hor’dervous were very tasty and there was more than enough. On the downside, we lost people to ball games, the weather, other events. Fletchers didn’t cover the food adequately and there were a lot of unwelcomed guests tasting the food. It was suggested that next year we hold the event at the Fire Department. It’s a larger venue and no weather concerns. We did raise \$8000. Memorial donations: David for bench \$700; Rocky toward fountain \$1000; unspecified \$100. Next year Village will replant some areas with native grass that doesn’t need mowing.

Santa House: Need volunteers for elves. Contact local colleges for National Honor Society members. All volunteers must be vetted. Also, need more Santa’s. At November meeting, plan to restore blood bank to Santa House. Marilyn is getting new printer. Two cameras and two printers will speed up picture taking process. Santa House will open on Sunday, Dec 1. Dec 1 thru 6 are designated as Pictures with Santa and Pets. Marilyn contacted Humane Society. In return for advertising, we will distribute flyers requesting people getting pet pictures bring a bag of food for donation to Humane Society. Last visiting Santa day Mon, Dec 23.

New Business: The Fire Dept parade is Fri, Dec 6. Park members can bring their vehicles to participate in the parade and pass out Santa House flyers. Marilyn has battery operated lights for decorating vehicles.

Rotary Club has a truck load of bottle caps to be used for children’s groups and made into park benches. Each bench requires \$250 and 200 pounds of bottle caps for standard color gray. Other colors are \$50 more.

Unfinished Business: None. General Discussion: None. Public Comment: None.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Ryan, second by David. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 am.

Submitted by Diane Wickline