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NORTH AURORA DAYS COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING DATE: May 11, 2020

MEETING TIME: 6:00 p.m.

MEETING LOCATION: North Aurora Village Hall, 25 E. State St. North Aurora, IL



AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the North Aurora Days Committee Minutes dated March 9, 2020

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of North Aurora Days

OLD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

OTHER INFORMATION

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

ADJOURN



NORTH AURORA DAYS
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 9, 2020

Call to Order

Mark Gaffino called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Attendance

Mark Gaffino, Doug Botkin, Jessi Watkins, Holly O'Brien, Robyn Stecklein, Chris Sparks, Steve Bosco, Bill Hannah and David Hansen.

Approval of Minutes

Holly O'Brien made a motion to approve the February 10, 2020 meeting minutes, which were seconded by Doug Botkin.

Motion to Approve: All in Favor

Discussion

1. Event Ideas/Cost

Jessi Watkins updated the committee on amusements. Watkins mentioned it would cost \$15,000 for the weekend (Friday and Saturday) with amusements fully staffed by the amusement company, Record a Hit. Amusements for Friday include: long john silver, giant slide, adrenaline rush extreme, axe throw inflatable, and foot darts sports game. Additional amusements for Saturday include: hippo bungee grab, mechanical sharks, human foosball, bumper cars, trackless train, and water wars. Staff would only have to run the ticket booth. Village Administrator Steve Bosco showed a map of where amusements would most likely go. The committee said they would like to book the amusement company.

Watkins mentioned the petting zoo would run 4pm to 6pm on Saturday. Watkins also said she is working on a scavenger hunt and looking into booking a local tarot reader (for entertainment purposes only), which would be part of the festivities. The committee also said they would like to have the gaming truck back for both nights. Finance Director Bill Hannah said the balloon and face painter contracts are signed and good to go. Bosco

mentioned that golf carts may need to be reserved again if the carts the Village acquired last year aren't up and running by then.

2. 5K Run Coordination

Watkins mentioned she reached out to Racetime, a race company that would handle majority of the roles for the race. Watkins said they would be able to setup the race and manage timing for \$900, and they could take care of prizes/t-shirts for an additional price. The only roles the Village would need to provide are: gathering additional volunteers for the day of race and packet pickup, selecting a race coordinator that would work with the company to ensure everything is setup properly, and promote the event on social media platforms. Bosco mentioned that staff have not heard any interest for the race coordinator role, which was recently posted on Facebook.

3. Oak Street Car Shows

Gaffino updated the committee on Oak Street car shows. Gaffino mentioned that a car show would only be on Friday night since Saturday night would have amusements on Oak Street. Gaffino said that he will see if he could get emergency vehicle parade participants to create an emergency vehicle car show. If they couldn't, he said that he could reach out to a local corvette club or something similar.

4. Discussion of North Aurora Days

Hannah updated the committee on sponsorships. Hannah mentioned the sponsorship brochures went out to the businesses that sponsored last year and will be sent out to all other businesses over the next few weeks.

Doug Botkin updated the committee on events. He said that the pet parade is a go for 2020. Administrative/GIS Analyst David Hansen mentioned the pavilion in North Aurora Island Park has been reserved for the 2020 pet parade. Botkin mentioned that Chris Sparks was in attendance for the Fishing Derby. Sparks mentioned that he thought last year's event went well except for some parking issues and the port-o-let was too far away from the event. Sparks also said that it may be better to move the Fishing Derby ahead a half an hour earlier since fish tend to stop biting at 10am. Gaffino mentioned that he spoke to the principal of one of the schools and said they are looking into doing dodgeball again this year. Robyn Stecklein mentioned that Touch a Truck at Mooseheart is good to go again for 2020.

Holly O'Brien, updated the committee on food vendors. O'Brien mentioned that RS concessions and Suzie's Fun Foods have submitted their food vendor applications and will reach out to Mario's, Juquilitas Tacos, and Bruno's Cheesesteaks over the next few weeks. O'Brien spoke to Team Fib and they are in for Sunday again. O'Brien said that Oberweis is in for Sunday as well if they can find staffing.

Botkin and O'Brien updated the committee on beer tent options. They mentioned they spoke to Superior and they offered a good assortment of options (all cans again) as well as a \$2,500 sponsorship. Options for the beer tent included: Budweiser, Bud Light, Goose Island IPA, Bud Light Lime, Michelob Ultra, Virtue Rose Cider, Bud Light Seltzer (4 flavors), Copa Wine, Babe Sparkling Wine, Cutwater Spirits, Natural Light Naturday's, Founders All Day IPA, Kona Big Wave, and Omission (gluten free beer). Botkin and O'Brien said the committee can pick, choose, and swap out the options since nothing is set in stone yet. Gaffino asked them to reach out Euclid to see if they could get a comparison on pricing. Gaffino mentioned that as a reminder the beer tent will be closing at 11:30pm this year with last call at 11pm and last served at 11:15pm. The committee mentioned that using all cans last year worked out really well and are excited to use them again.

Mark Gaffino made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm, which was seconded by Doug Botkin.

Motion to Adjourn: All in Favor

Respectfully submitted,
David Hansen