Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2024, Town Hall 6:00 pm

Meeting called to order 6:01 pm

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll call for Quorum: Martha Mann, June Ulrich, Denise Flaman, Yvonne Munn, Cathy Flaman, Lisa Smits. Cathy motions to excuse Linda Frank due to prior commitment; Lisa seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous. Linda Frank arrives at 6:06 pm.

Also in attendance: Pat Meade, Larry Flaman, Jerry Smits, Bud Eckles, and Ryan Bleau.

Attendees reviewed the minutes dated March 4. Yvonne motions to accept the March minutes as written, Denise seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

Martha reviewed the income and expenses incurred during March 2024. June motions to accept the income and expense report as written, Cathy seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

**UPDATES & REVIEWS**

* **First Saturday Breakfast**
* 83 entrees which included 1 free meal; $669 in sales which includes $33 in tips.
* March special (both casseroles from standard menu) was a hit with 42 servings sold.
* Merchandise sales $40; Plant sales (tomatoes, green peppers, cucumbers) $167. Total sales $207.
* Hash browns were offered at an introductory price of $1 to great success.
* June motions May $5 Special be Breakfast Enchiladas (2) served with sour cream and salsa; Lisa seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.
* Martha will get a key to the Maintenance shed from the Mayor so extra supplies can be stored there.
* Martha to ask council to pressure wash the ceiling of the porch and to get the

3-compartment sink in the kitchen working.

* Some out-of-date creamer was found. Linda explained heat cycle (no refrigeration needed for shelf stable creamer) and first in, first out usage.
* **Dunn’s Creek Fundraiser Event**
  + Total food sales for both events were $300. Expenses $81.27.
  + Special thanks to Bud, Larry, Denise, Cathy, Dave, and Martha for working these Monday events.
* **Easter Egg Hunt Event**
  + Gabriel Bleau earned extra volunteer hours for being the Easter Bunny.
  + Discussion on buying 2 banners next year: “Easter Egg Hunt next Saturday”
  + Discussion about moving location to Ballfield for next year; TBD.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

* **Founder’s Day Market Event**
  + May 18th 8am to 2pm at Mayor’s Park
  + June motions spend up to $200 on 2 banners “Founder’s Day Market this Saturday”; Denise seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.
  + Guest speaker about the History of the Town TBD
  + Mayor to make the annual proclamation on observance of Founder’s Day
  + June motions to spend up to $60 for cupcakes and lemonade, Linda seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.
  + June motions to spend up to $300 for food and supplies, Cathy seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.
  + Committee will be vending the only food. Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, lemonade, tea for lunch. Breakfast menu TBD, suggestion was made for Muffins, Danish and coffee to be sold.
  + Martha to reach out to ROTC to do Color Guard.
* **Candidate Forum** 
  + Saturday 6/01 2pm-4pm at the Community Center.
  + Offering free pulled chicken sandwiches, coleslaw, and baked beans to the public.
  + June motions to spend up to $150 on food and supplies, Yvonne seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.
  + Horvath’s Smokehouse will donate 2 pans each of coleslaw and baked beans. The chickens were donated and are in the freezer.
* **Mother’s Day Raffle**
  + Due to time constraints, we will not have a Mother’s Day Raffle this year.
  + Suggestion was made for a **4th of July Raffle** that is cooking/grilling related. Martha will donate grilling tools, June will make an apron and potholders. Larry suggested we include all Pomona Park merchandise in the basket.
  + Ryan Bleau has offered to make and donate a hand-crafted piece of furniture for the Christmas Raffle.

**BEAUTIFICATION AWARD**

* After reviewing photos of 4 properties, popular opinion chose 200 Worcester Rd. June motions to grant them the award, Linda seconds. No further discussion.  Vote unanimous.
* Lisa motions to purchase the $25 gift certificate for award from Pomona Park Pizza: Denise seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

**COMMUNITY GARDEN**

* June motions to postpone the Garden Dedication until the Fall, Linda seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.
* We offered a bed in the Garden to the FFA/Ag teacher to use with her class. We also donated tomato and pepper plants for their use. Councilwoman Evans has offered to pay their fee each season.
* Garden Workday scheduled for April 20th, 9am. June will have a list of chores to accomplish. A second day may be required.
* June spoke on the need to top up the original 6 beds with soil and compost because of settling and decomposition. June motioned to spend up to $300 on these amendments, Denise seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

* Denise spoke about requests from the public for new Pomona Park merchandise. She has had requests for Basil to be sold. Also suggested were tank tops in bright colors, visors, and window decals.
  + Martha will obtain quotes for tank tops with small town logo on left front.
* Lisa Smits officially resigned from her seat on the Committee. She and Jerry will continue to volunteer at Breakfast and other events.
* We invited Ryan Bleau to join the Committee. He declined due to other commitments.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

* A pop-up plant sale on a Sunday in front of town hall was suggested to sell leftover plants.
* June motioned to spend up to $50 for PPBC business cards, Linda seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

Yvonne motions to adjourn, Lisa seconds. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

Meeting adjourned 7:53 pm