

Fruitland Park Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/08/23, Time: 5:30pm

Board Present: Kari, Mindy & Shelley

Board Absent: Ashley & Kay

Community Guests: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

Budget Items:

Shelley reported that City Clerk was not aware of status or who was responsible for Drake Park Sidewalk project. Shelley will reach back out to Torie to get City's intent or how to get this information from city council.

Outdoor Kitchen:

No updates at this meeting as Ashley was not present.

Food Trucks:

Sal Vitale's food truck on 10/25 went very well and had already sold 160 pizzas by 5:45pm. Members reported that members of community purchased the pizzas with the understanding that the Park Board was to get a portion of the proceeds. Board members agreed that we should ALWAYS ask food trucks to either make a donation or donate a portion of their proceeds, especially if they are doing well. The amount we received would be used for cash or prizes for the quarterly event prizes. If the sales for the evening were not worth their time, we could decline the donation. Shelley was going to reach out to Sal Vitale's about the last and future food truck sales.

Members also discussed opening the community center during the winter months for food truck sales. Shelley was going to reach out to Torie to see if this was a possibility.

Pickleball courts:

Shelley reached out to Nick Gow from the City of Muscatine about costs for building/maintenance, etc for the Taylor Park courts and has not heard back from him. She will continue reaching out to him.

Recap of Fall Festival on Oct 7th:

Members agreed that the event went well and speculated that we had around 100 guests. Three Vendors were there and said they did ok and would participate again if asked. Tupperware lady said she would be willing to help contact vendors and lead the vendor show if needed.

Other notes:

Pumpkin painting and the cookie decorating went well and nearly all the pumpkins and cookies were taken.

Bake Off contest had 2 baker entries and we agreed that we need to do more planning and advertising to make this more successful.

Members agreed to change the hours for this event to 10a-12p as attendance dropped off after noon.

Cookies with Santa Event on 12/2:

Discussed event details with following schedule:

All board members are to report to Community Center at 4pm to setup treats, crafts, etc.

Lighted Parade will start lineup at ISU research Farm at 4:30pm and will end at the Community Center

Santa has been obtained for evening – Shelley will ensure he is there and ready to go.

Action items on attachment for board members view only.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Meeting:

Members set Sunday, January 21st @ 11am – 2pm to go over remaining budget for 23/24 and set calendar of events and budget needed for 24/25. Meeting will be at Roomy's and we'll plan to have lunch as well.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:40 pm.

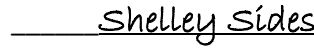
Next Meeting:

December 6th @ 5:30pm at Community Center.

Signatures:



Park Board Chair



Assistant Secretary

Discussion Items for Agenda at December 6th Meeting:

- Recap of Cookies with Santa and Lighted Parade on Dec 2nd.
- Updates on Kitchen, pickleball courts, winter food trucks.
- Confirm date and agenda items for January budget Planning Meeting