Fruitland Park Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/9/24, Time: 5:30pm

Board Present: Kari, Mindy & Shelley

Board Absent: Ashley Community Guests: NONE

BUSINESS:

Review of Budget:

Shelley gave an update on where we stand on our budget. Bathroom repairs at park have begun and leave just under \$5,000 left in park improvement budget. Ballfield improvements have not been expensed yet. We asked Torie to look into ordering the orange rubber – run through mat for 1st base. She was going to check into price and get back to us. We may order two since they wear out after 1 season or two.

Recap of Easter Event:

Event was well attended. Suggestions for next year:

- Keep age groups separated but have them go one after the other instead of ALL at the same time. We
 decided that we would consider running two age groups at the same time so we don't drag the event
 out too long.
- To avoid a lot of congestion and make hunt fair, we will allow parents to assist the two youngest age groups during hunt. Older two groups would have to hunt by themselves.
- Line up the 3-5 year-olds and 6-9 year-olds on the long side and with a 6-8 foot path between their areas to prevent congestion and to "even" out the hunt items. This will prevent crossover from one area to a different area.
- More candy and less "toys" for three older age groups; and fill birth to 2 year-olds with less items as there are much fewer participants in that age group.
- Continue getting student volunteers and set rules from beginning to avoid horse play and eating of candy.
- Sort out hunt items prior to event so we are better organized day of and ensure even or more for older age groups.
- Better prizes for all age groups keep traditional or get more substantial prizes.

Update on Summer Movie:

Ashley did not hear back from Lynn, so no update was given from her contact.

Kari reported that she talked to Barb who said that we can use the Letts Library projector, blow up screen that requires power, speakers, and the movies. We decided we would shoot for July 27th (Sat eve) for first viewing. We discussed selling popcorn and drinks. Movie goers should bring chairs, blankets and any food or drink they want to bring in. Open at 8:30ish with show starting at dusk or 9:15 or so. We would not charge an admission for the event. Kari was able to contact Exit Realty for donation of the popcorn machine. More details to be discussed at next meeting.

Other Summer ideas:

Host Trivia or BAR Bingo night at Roomyz. Guests can order food and drinks on their own and we provide the materials for Bingo (already have) or Trivia night. Families are welcome. Would charge an entrance fee. Prizes for winners could be coupons that we purchase or have donated from Roomyz (drinks, shots, appetizers, etc.) Blackout or final round would win a cash prize. We need a microphone/speaker and our bingo cards and travel bingo setup. Discussed an evening in June with doors opening at 6:30pm or so and Bingo from 7pm – 9pmish. Mindy was going to contact Roomyz to see if they were in and try to set up a date. From there, Mindy would create a flyer to post on FB and on boards.

Other Items:

Falcon Day of Caring: April 19th.

Members agreed that we would ask them to clean up park (leaves, trash, sticks), flower beds at Drake Park and Tornado park. Can anyone be present to hand out water and snacks? Do we need gardening tools and Mulch for beds?

Recruitment of more park board members. Mindy was going to prepare and post a flyer.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 7th @ 5:30pm at Community Cent	er.
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Signatures:

Shelley Sides	<u>Míndy Ramírez</u>
Acting Park Board Chair	Social Media Chair

Agenda for May 7th, 2024 Meeting:

- Update and final details for Summer Movie in July
- Discuss BAR Bingo or Trivia event and action items
- Discuss Fruitland Fun Days Parade entry 9/7
- Discuss Watermelon Days in August 3rd
- Budget Update