

# Fruitland Park Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/13/24, Time: 5:30pm

Board Present: Ashley, Kari, Mindy, Shelley, Leslie

Board Absent:

Community Guests: None

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **Update on Summer Movie:**

Movie night on 8/2 went very well and had at least 75 people there. Concessions sold well and people are already talking about the next movie. We will be looking into more movies if we can afford it for this year. Other thoughts were to check into different licensing opportunities and invest in the screen, projector and speakers for the future.

### **Action Items:**

- Mindy is looking into other movie licensing companies since “Swank” motion pictures was still at \$245 each for 6 showings; \$225 each for 12 showings.

### **Fruitland Fun Days:**

Taylor’s and Mairett’s were not certain that they will have watermelon to donate for our event as the 1<sup>st</sup> of September is the end of their growing season. Both markets do offer gift certificates if we decided to use them as prizes for the watermelon eating contest winners. Members discussed the plans for the contest.

### **Action Items:**

- Shelley will continue to follow up on the local market watermelon donations.
- Ashley was checking with Hy-Vee to see if they’d be willing to donate any watermelons.
- Shelley will apply for watermelon donations from Wal-Mart.
- Ashley was ordering medals or trophies for the contest winners
- Ashley will order the candy for the parade.
- Shelley will bring 2 tables and wipes for eating contest.
- Members will bring knives for cutting up watermelon.
- Board members will meet at 6pm at Ashley’s (Wellington) on Friday, 9/5 to decorate the trailer/float
- Board members are to bring any Bluetooth JBL speakers with them on Friday, so we can decide which ones to use for parade.
- Mindy will create “music Playlist” for parade.
- Shelley will purchase poster board for signage.
- Leslie will bring tape to use for decorating the float.
- Board members are to meet at Community Center at 9:30 on Saturday for parade lineup.
- Ashley will bring multiple 5 gal buckets for the eating contest.
- Board members will wear their watermelon shirts for the parade and eating contest.

## **Budget REVIEW:**

Budget for 24-25 was reviewed and members decided after we only had \$385 left through 6/30/25 that we need to postpone making any more plans for the fall event on 10/26 and the Christmas event planned for 12/8 until we attend the Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. At this meeting, Council members will be discussing our current budget and see if any funds can be moved around to other projects. Results will determine what events and activities we are able to hold for the rest of the fiscal year.

## **Action Items:**

- Shelley will review the expenses for each event to determine how much we've spent, not turned in and what other expenses we could potentially ask for at the council meeting.
- Shelley will ask city clerk when our budget will be discussed on 9/10 so that we can attend.
- Board members are asked to be present at the council meeting in case we have questions.
- We will also meet shortly thereafter to discuss outcome of the budget.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm.

## **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, September 10th @ 5:30pm at Fruitland Community Center. Attend council meeting and recap results of budget.

Signatures:

*Ashley Loveless*

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Park Board Chair

*Shelley Sides*

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Secretary/Treasurer

Agenda for September 10th, 2024 Meeting:

- Recap Fruitland Fun Days Parade and watermelon eating contest.
- Attend Council meeting and recap budget results.