Minutes – March 1st, 2023 City of Zilwaukee Parks & Recreation Committee

Members in Attendance:

- Stephanie Mitchell
- Jean Owens
- Kally Rowland
- Randi Sopczynski
- Jordan Driscoll
- Charles Henning

Guests:

- Mary Bourbina, City Manager
- S. Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm
- J. Driscoll made a motion to accept the February minutes as written. K. Rowland to 2^{nd} the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business:

- 1. Bike Rodeo -5/13 11am to 1 pm
 - a. Nuroscience, helocopter, police and fire are coming.
 - b. No trailer for this weekend.
 - c. Jason is ordering wrist bands and give outs (about 100).
 - d. AAA is not responding to inquries. Maybe a different contact is needed.
 - e. Bikes:
 - i. Walmart instead of Meijer for bike donation since Meijer doesn't allow multiple years in a row
 - ii. Might not having any old bikes to give away this year
 - f. Need something besides the hand chalk we used last year. Tape did not work. Trying spray chalk instead. 5 Below has a 4 pack for \$2.50 a can.
 - g. Need traffic cones. C. Henning to reach out to DPW and Saginaw County to see if there are any we can borrow.
 - h. Permission slips have been found and sent to Mary to print off
 - i. Need canopies for us. Vendors will probably bring their own. K. Rowland has 1 extra.
 - j. Other activities that day?
 - i. Touch a truck
 - ii. Landscapes
 - iii. Plants

2. Bingo

- a. All prizes good. Send email to Wendy for money. \$150 for donuts and cookies. \$20 for cookie prize.
- 3. Movie Night
 - a. Need city card to pay.
 - b. Family movie night parents need to stay with their children. No drop offs.
 - c. J. Driscoll to get more pop and a diet option. Snacks are still good.
 - d. Donations got added to the account.
- 4. Casino Bus Trip
 - a. Need 21 day notice/deposit to book the bus. (\$870)
 - b. Need a passenger manifest 2 weeks before:
 - i. Name
 - ii. Age
 - iii. Phone number
 - c. Target the water bill newsletter for reach. Need a date by last week of March. J. Ownes will ask if the Tuesday of the 1st week of May will work.

New Business:

- 1. Mary's updates:
 - a. Matt is planning to have someone at the bike rodeo.
 - b. We did not get the grant, but still need better lighting. End of March, we will get our report card to try again for the grant. However, Consumers Energy is offering a rebate
 - i. \$10,000 to fix the lights. The city council will have final say.
 - c. Budget for parks and rec might be increased from savings, just need approval from city council.
 - d. Vanessa will be at the council meeting on Monday to discuss the memorial. Anyone is welcome to come.
 - e. Veronica (local artist) will be proposing a mural for the side of the bathroom building down at waterfront.
 - f. Wild flower seeds will be scattered in strategic park areas to reduce mowing and encourage wild life.
- 2. Chuck's Corner
 - a. The 1st game night had 9-10 people attend. The 2nd game night only had 5 people.
 - b. Instead of a game night, a history night will be hosted. People can bring in pictures and old memorabilia.
 - i. Will need to sort through donations. Maybe a mini exhibit can be created after.
 - c. Pickleball tournament to be hosted in the summer
 - i. 100 teams

- ii. Beginners to pros
- iii. Donating money to Zilwaukee for the memorial
- iv. Food truck will be on the northside
- v. Need sign up information to help get the word out.
- S. Mitchell made a motion to adjourn at 7:33 pm, J. Owens to 2nd motion. Adjourned.

Next Meeting on April 5th, 2023 before Bingo.