

July 2021 Recreation/Events Meeting (held June 29, 2021)

Members Present: Darlene Perna, Bernie Simkins, John Quigley, Harry Lucas, Rich Daubenspeck

Members Absent: Steve Coates, Sheryl Neely – both working

Alternates Present: none

Alternates Absent: Jim Kelly, Teresa Six, Mike Marsh-notified in advance of absence

Guest Present: Joe Bilinski

The July meeting of the Recreation Commission/Events meeting was held on June 29, 2021 due to the July 4, 2021 holiday. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Daubenspeck at 7:00 p.m. in the former Ambulance Building, now the Recreation Building, on Main Road.

Upon motion by Mr. Simkins seconded by Mr. Quigley and carried the minutes of the June meeting were ordered approved. All members voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Daubenspeck reported: (1) The new Administrator was working the Air Show contract. He noted that he had to file the liability insurance with the FIA Administration. (2) The Ax Throwing trailer could be rented for \$800.00 for the day or we could let them run it and keep the money. (3) The Salem County Fair will be held August 3rd. (4) Sheryl will run the auction. (5) Discussed possibly allowing outside business to sell for and entrance fee, but not any food items. He noted he feels the field might look empty. It would also provide additional income and everything cost more, fireworks, bands. A possible fee of \$250 was suggested for outside vendors.

Mr. Simkins suggested perhaps Central Tractor could be invited to participate.

Mr. Bilinski expressed concern over reaching outside the Community and noted the original idea was to promote and showcase Franklin Township. He added locals should come first.

Mr. Simkins wondered if Al Batten would lay out the field spots and send it to him to fill in the groups.

Chairman Daubenspeck reported that he had no luck to date booking a monster truck.

Mr. Lucas questioned if the Soccer games would be played as usual at Community Day.

Chairman Daubenspeck stated they have not committed to date.

Mr. Bilinski stated he would contact John Bell regarding the pony rides.

It was noted that Ken Smolsky and the Marine group would handle the parking again this year. The ROTC is on board to help, the entertainment is locked in and Zeo and the Fireworks are confirmed.

Mr. Simkins noted that the food booths need to stay or arrange to bring in food trucks and get a percentage. He suggested that perhaps Little League could split their booth with another organization for the event, keeping it open all day.

Mrs. Coulbourn questioned if there would be overnight security on Friday night.

Chairman Daubenspeck stated that people would have plenty of time to set up on Saturday morning due to the fact the event would not start until noon, so they would not need to set up Friday night.

The next meeting for Community Day will be held July 13, 2021 in the Recreation Building on Main Road at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Perna noted the Coin Drop was a big success.

Chairman Daubenspeck asked Mr. Bilinski if he could arrange for the Community Day cake again this year.

Mr. Bilinski replied yes. He also offered to contact Central Tractor regarding participating in the event.

Upon motion by Mr. Lucas seconded by Mr. Quigley and carried the meeting was ordered adjourned at 8:30 p.m. All members voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coulbourn, Secretary