

Spirit Committee Meeting

April 17, 2019

This special meeting of the Spirit Committee was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Carl McEntarffer, Committee members Loralee McKee, Cheryl Viola, Will Ritter and Anna Dovenmuehler. Also present was City Administrator Mike Williams, City Clerk Bernadette Gomes, and Deputy Fire Chief Mike Harrison. Community member visitors were Becky Leslie and Deya Escalona.

Approval of meeting minutes from March 20, 2019

Mr. Ritter made a motion to approve the meeting minutes.

Second to the motion by Ms. Viola, and carried.

Unanimous “ayes”.

Discussion Taco Fest (Action Item)

Mr. Williams stated he spoke with Mayor Davis regarding the Taco Fest idea and multi-cultural event, and both agreed that one day to celebrate both would be best. Names for the event were briefly discussed, and Ms. Viola stated it should expand to include all cultures. Mr. Williams suggested “Fall Fest” and Mr. McEntarffer advised everyone to approach people for name ideas. He emphasized names that will bring people to the event. One suggestion was “Fall Fest” with an itemized list of activities to be held. No action was taken at this time.

Discussion 4th of July Fireworks Event – (Action Item)

Ms. Escalona was introduced to the group and she expressed her concerns regarding booth spacing and if it was possible to fit up to forty vendors. Mr. Williams spoke of having multiple vendors of the same product and the possibility of limiting the number of same-type vendors in the future as food variety is important; Ms. Viola agreed that vendor variety is also important. Mr. McEntarffer assured Ms. Escalona that there will be space for everyone; he and Mr. Williams will go and measure the open area to confirm how many will fit. There may need to be a waiting list created.

Ms. Viola suggested utilizing Veteran’s Memorial Park as well, and Mr. Williams stated that it may need to be considered next year as the event is growing. He also stated that vendors may need to use parking spaces; Mr. McEntarffer stated parking spaces will be numbered as well. Ms. Escalona stated she will advise when spaces are full. There was brief discussion on increasing vendor fees for the use of power.

Mr. Williams stated sponsors have included: AgroPur, IMP, First Federal, Fred Kenyon Auto, DL Evans, ICCU, Hilex Poly, Renew and the National Guard. Some sponsors will not have a booth but may do banners.

No action was taken at this time.

Discussion City Wide Clean-Up/ Operation Facelift – (Action Item)

Ms. Viola stated that Larry Hall would need a minimum of ten people to assist with the painting; people can show up that morning and get wristbands for assignments. Ms. Gomes stated the wristbands are ready for distribution; there are 5 colors plus one special band for Operation Face Lift. DC Harrison also stated that the fire department will be helping there, plus they will be assisting Walmart’s clean up efforts from their location to Main Street.

No action was taken at this time.

Discussion Easter Egg Hunt- (Action Item)

Mr. McEntarffer stated they have the ham, eggs, pancake mix, syrup, plates, plasticware and cups; eggs will be prepared for scrambling on Friday night. He listed those who were possibly going to assist and DC Harrison said he has a crew of volunteers as well. Mr. Williams asked how many will be needed to help and Ms. Leslie said they need volunteers at 7:00 a.m. to help with the breakfast, and at 8:00 a.m. to help with the egg hunt. Mr. McEntarffer stated stakes will be needed to mark the hunt areas, and a 12' trailer will be used to house the hunt items and cooking equipment. Ms. McKee stated she can see about McDonald's donating syrup next year, and Mr. Williams advised Mr. McEntarffer to call if additional help is needed. DC Harrison stated serving trays and a pancake dispenser will be available; he will coordinate with Mr. McEntarffer on cooking. Ms. Viola inquired about the SOLO cups used last year, and Mr. McEntarffer said there are plenty of cups! He also stated garbage cans will be provided. The Easter Bunny will be there!

No action was taken at this time.

Discussion Period & Staff Reports

Mr. Williams stated the grand opening of North Park will be mid-June; the hard deadline for completion of the improvements is June 15th. He will confirm with ICCU if the ribbon cutting will be on the same day as Freedom Fest or a separate event. Mayor Davis will proclaim the park as the Idaho Central Credit Union Park. He stated the splash pad crew will be working soon, playground equipment is here and ready for installation and concrete will be poured soon.

Next committee meeting will be May 15th @3:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Mr. McEntarffer made a motion to close the special meeting at 3:44 p.m.

Second to the motion by Ms. Dovenmuehler and carried.

Unanimous "ayes".

Carl McEntarffer, Chairman

Katie Elliott, Secretary