

## Spirit Committee Meeting

August 21, 2019

This special meeting of the Spirit Committee was called to order at 4:01 p.m. Present were Chairman Carl McEntarffer, Committee members Annie Dovenmuehler, Lorelee McKee, and Will Ritter. Committee member Janet Avery joined the meeting at 4:05 p.m. Committee members Cheryl Viola and John Moore were excused. Also present was City Clerk Bernadette Gomes, and Secretary Katie Elliott. Community member visitors were Warren Haws, Luis Valadez and Ben Reed.

### **Approval of meeting minutes from August 14, 2019**

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

Second to the motion by Ms. Dovenmuehler and carried.

Unanimous "ayes".

### **Discussion Fall Fiesta (Action Item)**

Mr. Reed stated he had been thinking and was wondering if there was any money from last year's event left over that the State Department gave. Ms. Elliott stated the City does not contribute any money for the event. She stated the money that the city contributes is for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event. Mr. Valadez inquired how the community spirit committee was going to fund the multi-cultural event. Ms. McKee stated the vendor fees would be used to pay expenses. Mr. McEntarffer inquired if CSI sponsored the Multi-Cultural Event. Ms. McKee stated they sponsored the event last year with the Hispanic Heritage month. Mr. McEntarffer stated he was just going back to the previous year. Ms. McKee stated the event last year, the Hispanic Heritage month was a kick-off. She stated Mayor Davis wanted to make sure it was a multi-cultural community event and not just Hispanic heritage and bring in more of the community. She explained the vendors paid for any of the expenses that the city incurred. Mr. Reed stated that ICCU would be sponsoring the mariachi band and inquired if there would be a stage or if they would be using the amphitheater. Mr. McEntarffer stated they would be using the amphitheater for the entertainment. Discussion was held on sponsors for the event, vendors, flier, sponsorship forms and levels of sponsors. Mr. Valadez stated he would go and help get sponsors for the event. Mr. McEntarffer reminded the committee that any public event that is held in the city parks, there has to be a state electrical permit filed, and everyone that hooks up to the City power has to be inspected by a state electrical inspector which is a charge the committee must cover. Discussion was held on the electrical inspection and the requirements for vendors. Ms. Avery inquired about the taco vendors. Mr. Reed went over the vendors that were signed up. Ms. McKee inquired if there was still going to be a taco contest. Mr. Valadez stated they pitched the idea under Taco Fest and now it is Fall Fiesta. Mr. Reed suggested having a jalapeno eating contest, seeing if the Dairyman's Association donate milk, and having prizes donated from different businesses around town. Discussion was held on different activities for the event. Ms. McKee reminded the committee that the event is two and a half weeks away. Mr. McEntarffer stated that when the taco event was pitched, the taco contest would be between the taco trucks. More discussion was held other activities and contests. Upon inquiry from Ms. Dovenmuehler, Mr. Reed stated he would be in charge of the contest for the event. Ms. McKee inquired if the dancing groups or culture groups were going to perform or if they decided against having those. Ms. Gomes stated she reached out to the Basque group in Gooding and they do not have a dance group and recommended contacting the group in Boise but they charge \$350. She stated the Portuguese group was unable to put a dance together for this year. Ms. Avery inquired how long to have the dancers perform. Mr. Reed stated the dance groups will have about 15 minutes to perform. He continued

to state if there was some extra money, he could get the group out of Burley that performed the previous year. Ms. Gomes stated she confirmed with Mr. Williams that the City does not contribute to the event and it is only based on vendors. Mr. McEntarffer stated he would meet with Mr. Dodson and ask if he would run the beer garden and the sound system. He continued that he would inquire if Mr. Dodson will have Special Reserve perform also. Mr. Reed inquired about the electrical issues at the park from the Freedom Fest. Mr. McEntarffer stated those issues have been resolved and they were brought up due to changing parks for the event. More discussion was held on activities and contests for the event. Ms. Dovenmuehler stated that she has tried to contact the Catholic Church about dancers but she has been unable to reach the contact person or leave them a message. Mr. Reed stated he would contact the Catholic Church about the dancers and having their newly crowned queen come out. More discussion was held on activities for the event and the time line of all of the events. Ms. Gomes inquired if the contests were going to be in Spanish or if it would be open to everyone. Mr. Reed stated it would be open to everyone. Ms. McKee stated Mayor Davis wanted to make sure that everyone is included.

### **Citizens Correspondence and Issues**

None

### **Discussion Period & Staff Reports**

Mr. Ritter stated he would like to have everyone one come to the next meeting with their assignments. Mr. Reed is to have the agenda for the event along with any new vendor information. He stated he would also will work on the advertising. Ms. Gomes already took care of the park reservation. The City will contact a licensed electrical inspector to make sure everyone that is hooked up to the City power is inspected. Ms. Avery stated she would speak with Crossing Bridges. Ms. Dovenmuehler stated she would help getting some sponsors. Mr. Reed inquired if everyone would bring something for a prize for a contest.

Next committee meeting will be August 29<sup>st</sup>, 2019 @ 3:30 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Ritter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:46 p.m.

Second to the motion by Ms. Dovenmuehler and carried.

Unanimous "ayes"

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Carl McEntarffer, Chairman

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Katie Elliott, Secretary