# City of Twin Oaks Park Committee Meeting Minutes May 11, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

## **Roll Call**

Committee members present: Joe Krewson, Chair, Ellen Beary, Cindy Cornelius, Connie Fortune, Janet Herbold and John Williams, Staff

### **Approval of Agenda**

Janet moved to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Connie -- Approved 4-0

### Approval of the April 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Cindy moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Janet - Approved 4-0

### **Staff Report**

John reported he had stained four donated benches and they are ready for placement in the park. He is in the process of restoring some picnic tables that were also donated.

With the exception of a part for the men's restroom which has been ordered, the repairs to the park restrooms have been completed.

John said St. Louis County wants the non-functioning water fountain by the basketball court removed. The cost will be approximately \$800 to remove it and repair the area.

John has the pavers to be placed by the Autumn Leaf entrance to the park. He will install them when time permits.

#### **Events**

<u>Easter Egg Hunt</u> – The committee discussed the Easter egg hunt and what worked well and what possible improvements we could make next year. The consensus was the Easter bunny did a good job and having the fire truck was a success. It was suggested that next year we sort the eggs by the three age groups so that we can fill them with age appropriate items.

<u>Movie Night</u> – The date was set for Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Joe will contact possible vendors regarding availability, cost, set-up and power requirements. Since the date for the movie is near Halloween it was suggested we select a not too scary Halloween-related movie.

<u>Family Fun Day</u> – Joe suggested FFD have a more carnival-like atmosphere and the committee members thought it was a good ieda. Possible activities are a duck pond, a lollipop tree, a cake walk with prizes. The committee thought we should consider asking Regions Bank and Aldi if they would donate some prizes.

Other ideas were a dunking booth with the mayor and some aldermen in it, hula hoops and face painters possibly from the Valley Park High School art department. The committee decided to have one bounce house and a Eurobungy.

<u>Chili Cook-off/Bingo Night</u> – We would like to make the event bigger if we can find a different space to hold it. It was suggested we consider a 50/50 and some kind of trivia quiz in between the games.

<u>Budget Update</u> – We are currently \$780 over budget. The budget for Family Fun Day is \$6,500. We have no budget for movie night but we are eliminating the carolers from the Winter Event. There was no money in the park budget for the chili cook-off/bingo night but the event was originally not a park event so Joe is going to talk to the city clerk about moving the expense to the general fund.

<u>Park Projects/Improvements</u> -John was going to order a trash can to be placed near the flagpole where he plans to put one of the restored picnic tables. The trash can will cost approximately \$1,400.

At 7:20 p.m. Connie moved to adjourn the meeting seconded by Janet - Approved 5-0

APPROVED THIS 8th DAY OF JUNE, 2023

Joe Krewson, President

Connie Fortune, Secretary