City of Twin Oaks Park Committee Meeting October 12, 2023

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

Roll Call

Committee members present: Joe Krewson, Chair, Cindy Cornelius, Connie Fortune, Janet Herbold, Committee Members, Paula Dries, Staff

Approval of Agenda

Connie moved to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Cindy – Approved 3-0

Approval of August 10, 2023 Minutes

Cindy moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Janet – Approved 3-0

Staff Report

There was nothing new to report.

Events

Family Fun Day Review & Debrief – The committee members thought it was another very successful event. The National Honor Society student volunteers from Parkway South High School were excellent. They were self-starters, helped with most activities and made it fun for the children. The new carnival games were well-received. We did run out of prizes due to their popularity. We also ran out of food (40 pizzas) and drinks. The cotton candy was also a big hit. It was suggested that rather than rent the equipment we purchase our own machine. Regions Bank and AT&T helped with games and provided additional prizes for those games. Joe was contacted by Gateway Credit Union indicating they would like to be involved in FFD next year. It was suggested that next year we have signs made to place in front of each attraction. Committee members thought next year the event should run three hours rather than four.

<u>Movie Night, October 20</u> – The equipment is reserved and the movie selected is Night at the Museum. Everyone is being asked to bring their own refreshments.

<u>Winter Event, December 3</u> - John has confirmed a Santa Claus for the winter event to take place from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. It was suggested Santa arrive on a fire truck starting from Aldi or perhaps the Valley Park Fire Department and going directly to City Hall. Mayor Fortune is going to contact the fire chief to confirm their availability and willingness to do this. It was suggested we have someone take photos of the children with Santa if the person portraying Santa is okay with doing that. Cindy is going to check with a friend about borrowing his photo equipment. Hot Chocolate, Bailey's and cookies will be served.

The dates for the 2024 park committee events were selected. They are:

Bingo/chili cook-off – February 10

Easter egg hunt – March 30

June concert in the park – June 8 – Jukebox Heros performing

July concert and fireworks – July 3 – Laytham & Holmes performing

National night out – August 6 (maybe with games – contact Regions Bank & AT&T about interest)

August concert in the park – August 10 – Crossfire performing
Family Fun Day – September 28
Movie night – October 18 (if 2023 movie night is successful perhaps a 2nd night in May)

Winter event - December 1

Park Projects & Improvements

The Board is considering replacing the solar lights in the park with electric lights. The Board would like the park committee to review the current placement of lights and recommend if electric lights should be located in the current solar light locations. A committee member suggested the Board could also consider replacing the lights on the pavilion as those lights are too dim. There was also a recommendation that the Board consider placing a flood light by the Autumn Leaf gazebo.

At 7:35 Cindy moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janet - Approved 4-0

APPROVED THIS 160 DAY OF November, 2023

Joe Krewson, President

Connie Fortune, Secretary