

2016-10-04

## MURRAY FREEDOM FESTIVAL MEETING MINUTES

TRUSTEES in ATTENDANCE: John Hensch, President; Geo Blessing, Co-Vice President; Pat Zeigler, Secretary.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Matt Lewis, Co-vice; Nikki Lewis, Treasurer.

PRESENT AUDIENCE/VOLUNTEERS: Kevin Smith, Mike Gillott, Mike Zeigler.

CALL to ORDER by Hensch at 7:09 p.m.

Motion to approve minutes of September 6, 2016 meeting by Hensch, 2nd by Blessing. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT by Hensch, in N. Lewis' absence:

1. Beginning balance: \$7,092.94 .
2. Debits: Ck #1056 given to Pat Zeigler tonight for supplies, \$21.71;
3. Ending balance: \$7,071.23.
4. Motion by Blessing, 2nd by Zeigler to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried.

WEBSITE:

1. April Schmeckpeper contacted Zeigler about website.
2. Per Schmeckpeper, we could keep present website or start from scratch with another one that has an 'open' domain name, either of which would cost approximately \$40/year.
3. Motion by Hensch, that to maintain consistency throughout, with Facebook and other media, to keep the current website. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Blessing. Motion carried.

ART CONTEST:

1. Contest to be open to Conestoga School only, grades 7-12.
2. Board and guests at February 7, 2017 meeting will determine winner.
3. Zeigler will check into cost to have logo trademarked.
  - A) What to do if trademark infringes on another similar one?
4. All artwork becomes property of MFF.
5. Winning submissions will receive gift cards to Dick Blick Art Supply Store or some other type gift card in amounts of \$250 for 1<sup>st</sup> place; \$150, 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
6. It is preferred that submissions be electronically submitted, however, paper and poster board items would be acceptable and considered, as long as design could be easily scanned, digitized, and clearly legible.
7. Designs are to be all original, patriotic in nature, any color.
8. Design will be used on MFF letterhead, shirts, media, etc.
9. Hensch will speak to art teacher at Conestoga for further tips.

**BINGO FUNDRAISER NIGHT:**

1. Zeigler to contact Eric Dennis at Conestoga Elementary to confirm Friday, November 11th, 6-9:00 p.m.
2. Concessions to be sold are chili, hotdogs, chips, pop, coffee, water.
3. Food to be sold separately from Bingo.
4. Gillott needs volunteers to help at Bingo tables.
5. Cash prizes will be awarded.
  - A) Mike Zeigler will seek gift cards for other Bingo prizes.
  - B) Hensch will check with zoo for toy prizes.
6. Zeiglers will donate 10# ground beef for chili.
7. Zeigler also has gift cards from No Frills and Hy-Vee, combined total around \$30 which can be used for concession supplies.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

1. No word yet from Cass County Tourism grant packet submitted on August 19.
2. Fireworks stand with Wild Willie's was discussed.
  - A) Blessing was in contact with Wild Willy's and there should be no problem with NightVision. Fireworks being a 'conflict of interest'.
  - B) In 2016, Eagle, Plattsmouth and Nebraska City had closest WW fireworks stands.
  - C) January 1st is best date to shoot for to let WW know if we're going to go through with it.
  - D) Gillott suggested we check with Mike Minford about using gravel lot for stand by MVFD, as only the concrete portion is on MVFD property.
  - E) Need committed volunteers who would be willing to work the 10-day, 24/7 schedule.
    - A) Suggested were to ask MVFD, Scouts, school groups and split proceeds accordingly.
    - F) MFF needs to check with Village for any restrictions on location, even if it's on private property.
3. Zeigler to contact village clerk to add Hensch to agenda for October 11 Village Board meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1, 2016, Murray Town Hall, 7 p.m.

ADJOURNED: Motion by Hensch, 2nd by Zeigler, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Zeigler, Secretary

