

2017-02-07

MURRAY FREEDOM FESTIVAL MEETING MINUTES

TRUSTEES in ATTENDANCE: John Hensch, President; Pat Zeigler, Secretary; Nikki Lewis, Treasurer; George Blessing, Jr. and Matt Lewis, Co-Vice Presidents

PRESENT GUESTS/VOLUNTEERS: Mike Zeigler, Kevin Smith, Tim and Noah Grobeck, Todd Morris, Mike Gillott

CALL to ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

Motion to approve January 3, 2017 minutes by Hensch; Blessing, 2nd. Motion carried

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- a) Beginning balance: \$8620.73
- b) Check #1058 to April Schmeckpeper, for website, \$120.00
- c) Ending balance: \$8500.73

Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Blessing; Zeigler 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

FIREWORKS:

- a) Todd Morris of NightVision, MFF vendor for past two years, is already planning this year's show.
- b) 2017 display contracts were distributed to Board by Morris.
- c) Morris bought out another company from North Dakota and ensures its quality product.
- d) No reported trouble with kids in and around the display area last year that he was aware of.
- e) Morris will plan something different for the 'plunger' part of the event.
- f) NightVision seeks all permits, insurance, etc. Zeigler asked Morris if he'd get copies of insurance, permits to her ASAP.
- g) NightVision will set up display around 10:00 a.m. on the 4th.
- h) Some of their other customers are having their displays over the weekend this year, since the 4th is on Tuesday. Since MFF is a repeat customer, we have 1st priority, as far as set-up goes, on our chosen date of July 4th.

- i) After approval and acceptance of contract, treasurer paid Morris one-half as deposit.

Matt Lewis motioned to accept contract; Blessing, 2nd. Motion carried.

#### CHILI FEED:

- a) Due to a prominent local resident's retirement party also being planned on February 11, the MFF chili feed was postponed from Feb 11 to Saturday, February 18, at Conestoga Elementary, 5-7 pm.
- b) Zeigler suggested we ask Joyce Johnson if she'd make her famous cinnamon rolls. The Zeiglers will donate all supplies for the rolls. Hensch will contact Johnson.
- c) Volunteers are to show up at 4 pm at school to set up.
- d) Fixed prices were set for a meal consisting of chili or hotdog, chips, drink, \$5. Add hotdog or chili for \$1. Cinnamon roll, \$3.

Zeigler motioned for changes, Blessing 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

#### FUNDRAISING:

- a) Murray garage sales will be Friday-Saturday, May 19-20. Zeigler to speak with Mike Njus about using the church again and if we can do concessions there.
- b) Girl Scouts will do egg hunt on April 8th, and MFF will again serve coffee and donuts.
- c) Possible pancake feed on Sunday, 9th of April, 9-1pm., but M. Zeigler will call Wes Redden to see if he has that date open.
- d) Hensch asked M Zeigler to split donors' list for each Board member to use in seeking donations.

Zeigler motioned to accept fundraising suggestions; Blessing, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

#### ART CONTEST:

- a) There was a total of 9 entries from Conestoga Jr-Sr High for the contest.
- b) Art Teacher, Jesse Swantek, scanned and emailed entries to Zeigler, then Zeigler picked up entries at school.
- c) Entries were prominently displayed on Town Hall wall and all attending tonight's meeting, along with the Board voted for their favorites.
- d) Copies of each entry will be filed with MFF secretary.
- e) Results are entry #5, receiving the most votes; and entry #9, receiving 2nd place.
- f) Zeigler spoke with Principal Friedli about awarding winners at an assembly and both Friedli and Swantek thought that would be a good idea.

- g) Blessing suggested that Patti Jo Peterson from Plattsmouth Journal might want to attend the assembly for a news article.
- h) Zeigler will contact school with results.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- a) Zeigler asked for car show volunteers.
- b) Blessing suggest we contact the gentleman from Mynard to organize car show.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2017, Murray Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Zeigler, Secretary