

Murray Freedom Festival Minutes

Murray Village Hall – June 5, 2018

Trustees Present: George Blessing IV (President), Judy Simpson (Treasurer), Nikki Lewis

Trustee Absent: Matt Lewis

Guests: Mike Gillott (Chairman, Village of Murray), Becky Smart (CHI T.E.A.M.), April Schmeckpepper, Martina Montes

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm.

1. Minutes of previous meeting (05/10/2018)
 - a. Minutes from the 05/10/2018 meeting were reviewed by the Guests and Trustees present.
 - b. Motion to accept the previous Minutes as published: Nikki L.
 - c. Second: Judy S.
 - d. Motion carried.
2. Treasurer's report
 - a. The Garage Sale event brought-in \$787.09, which puts us over the value needed to complete the payment for this year's Fireworks display.
 - b. Confirmation of Taxes received.
 - c. Donations are coming in.
 - d. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as stated: Judy S.
 - e. Second: George B.
 - f. Motion carried
3. Submit bills
 - a. \$648.00 will be the cost for Insurance this year
 - b. A check for the aforementioned value was written to the Insurance carrier and co-signed by Chairman Blessing.
4. Old Business
 - a. Insurance
 - i. We will use the same carrier as last year.
 - b. Restroom facilities around town on July 4th.
 - i. Judy is finishing up the contract for A-Relief
 - ii. We'll have ONE additional facility at Tyson park
 - c. Fireworks
 - i. The contract is signed and we're ready to make the second payment.
 - d. Posters
 - i. Event schedule – will be finished soon!
 - ii. Car Show – created and ready for distribution
 - iii. Veterans Wall – will be added to schedule.
 - e. Official Media outlets will be
 - i. Cassgram
 - ii. Facebook
 - iii. MurrayNebraska.com Website
 - f. Becky Smart (CHI) will make some T.E.A.M. signs and would be willing to help facilitate the "Volunteers Needed" signage.
5. New Business
 - a. 5K Fun Run
 - i. April and Chad
 - ii. Nice signs around the area!

- iii. Registrations for 5K are coming in and expect quite a few the day-of.
 - iv. No modification of route this year, per Mike G.
 - b. Oozeball
 - i. Young Park
 - c. Parade
 - i. Line-up at 6p
 - ii. 6:30p to 7:30p
 - iii. Invites have been going out along with Re-route information (is this still valid?)
 - iv. Talked with Gregg Young and they will supply several vehicles
 - v. Need Drivers!!!!
 - vi. No modification of Parade route this year, per Mike G.
 - vii. **What about Miss Murray, Harvest Festival King / Queen, and Miss Cass County?
 - d. Car Show
 - i. 11a to 5p
 - ii. Angie (Blessing) and Hugh Schuett of Omaha will run the event
 - iii. Dash Plaques have been ordered
 - iv. Additional door prizes will be supplied from the Bingo stock.
 - v. George will supply PA and music during the day
 - e. Bingo
 - i. 1p to 5p
 - ii. Conestoga Elementary cafeteria Floor
 - f. Veterans Wall
 - i. 9a to 5p
 - ii. Conestoga Elementary cafeteria Stage
 - g. Conestoga Dance Team Camp
 - i. 1:30p to 3:30p
 - ii. Conestoga Elementary Gym
 - iii. Dance Team Performance at 7:15p
 - h. Kids Carnival
 - i. 12:00 – 4:00p
 - ii. Tyson Park
 - iii. Ann NEEDS HELP!
 - i. Fireworks
 - i. Around 10p
 - ii. National Anthem – Linda Grunewald
 - iii. Just before Fireworks
 - j. Music – working on securing an act now.
 - k. Food
 - i. Car Show – Montes Family
 - 1. Montes Family will supply authentic Mexican food for the Car Show.
 - ii. Young Park – Skeeter's BBQ
 - iii. Ice Cream Truck (Bill the Ice Cream Man) – will avoid Murray Christian Church so as to not interfere with their offerings
 - iv. Murray Christian Church
 - l. Announcement of Grand Marshal at Murray Fire Station Pancake Feed
 - i. 9:30a at MVFD pancake feed
 - m. Fundraising Updates
 - i. Donations from area businesses
- 6. Open discussion

- a. Becky Smart already has T.E.A.M. signage – will facilitate getting “Volunteers Needed” signs for MFF
 - b. Jessica Vallery / Fastenal will provide a pallet of Water to be distributed among event locations on July 4th. THANK YOU!
 - c. George B has power cords and will bring them
7. Next Meeting
- a. Monday, 06/18/2018 at 7:00p

Respectfully,

George Blessing, President

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