

MEETING MINUTES - MURRAY FREEDOM FESTIVAL – January 11, 2021

Attendees: George Blessing Jr., George Blessing Sr., Liz Guenther, and Jerome Speck.

Guests: None.

1. Call to order at 7:04p.
2. Minutes from previous (December 1, 2020) meeting
 - a. Motion to accept: George Sr.
 - b. Second: Jerome S.
 - c. Voted carried
3. Financial Report
 - a. Previous Balance (12/01/2020) \$2602.08
 - b. Deposits
 - i. None
 - c. Payments
 - i. None
 - d. Donations
 - i. None
 - e. Pending invoices
 - i. None
 - f. Future invoices
 - i. None
 - g. Balance as of 01/05/2021 \$2602.08
 - h. Motion to accept as published: George Sr.
 - i. Second: Liz G.
 - j. Motion Carried
4. Old Business
 - a. Cass County Tourism Advertising grant application
 - i. Due no later than Tuesday, 01/31/2021.
 - ii. George Jr will file – has form and information from previous filings
 - b. Pancake feed possibility
 - i. Wes Redden from Weeping Water has made pancakes for us in the past
 - ii. Mr. Eric Dennis – Conestoga Elementary School
 - c. Letter from Berkshire & Burmeister, Attorneys at Law
 - i. Storage of our Corporate file
 - ii. They are just cleaning up their paper storage and are maintaining electronic versions of the documents.
5. New Business
 - a. Fundraiser ideas
 - i. Pancake fundraiser
 1. Wes Redden has made pancakes for us at Conestoga Elementary in past years.
 2. Right now, Conestoga Elementary isn't allowing outside people in, so a pancake feed probably isn't doable in the near-term.
 - ii. Corn hole tournament at Lake Ridge
 1. George Sr. will reach out to Rowdy Woodard to get his thoughts about an event or two in the Spring.
 - iii. Jerome S. will begin talking to past contributors regarding donations for this year's event.
 1. George Jr. will provide a list of donors from 2020.
 - iv. Facebook fundraising is also a good idea, similar to Go Fund Me.

1. Liz G. will look into various methods of online fundraising - GoFundMe, Facebook, and others are possible.
- b. 5K
 - i. Need to communicate with April Schmeckpepper and get this going by no later than April 1.
 - ii. George Jr will talk with April S. about the 5K.
- c. Fireworks
 - i. July 4th is on a Sunday this year.
 - ii. George Sr. will reach out to John Masters and let him know we're planning on fireworks this year.
6. Open Discussion
7. Adjourn at 7:39p.
8. Next meeting will be on Tue, 02/02/2021 at 7p at the Murray City Hall.

Respectfully,

George Blessing, Chairman

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