

VILLAGE OF JOHNSBURG
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 9, 2012 - DRAFT

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Sisk
Ellen Bathje (absent)
Cynthia Ducak
Cheri Dory
Jill McEvoy
Rob Gough (absent)
Mike Koeshall (absent)

Meeting called to order at 7:08pm by Chairman Sisk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Member Jill McEvoy moved to approve the minutes from the September 25, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Committee Member Cheri Dory – All committee members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Celebration in the Park:** In review of the Celebration, there was one complaint about hot corks falling in a neighbor's yard from the fireworks. The committee thought it was because of the direction of the wind and mentioned that there were no occurrences of this happening in the past. The Committee agreed that it is a serious concern and should be discussed with Mad Bomber to get their thoughts for next year's celebration. The food ran out at the appropriate time but water and pop sales were slow. Suggestions for next year: inquire about the walk on water game. The concern with the walk on water game is the cost. President Hettermann would like to keep the event inexpensive for the residents. The Committee suggested only doing this type of attraction an every other year; Do either a 50/50 raffle or silent auction including items from local businesses in order to raise money; have bouncys for different age groups and rent the bouncers with the lights already in them; rent the tent that is specifically designed for the beer truck; have signs on the outside of tents to help guide people because there were some residents upset by standing in a line only to find out they were in the wrong line; Have Dave Wilcox order 4 large orange cones for games. The committee will paint them to make them look like candy corn; put yellow caution tape in the back of the food service area to ensure residents don't walk through that area.
- **Running Brook Farms Park:** Chairperson Sisk is going to start getting information to Tim Hartnett regarding ideas of what is wanted at the park. The Committee agrees that there should be a shelter along with either playground equipment or circuit training equipment.

Chairperson Sisk would like to give Mr. Hartnett the ideas and have him come up with drawings to bring to the Running Brook Farms subdivision for discussion.

- **Development and Maintenance agreement:** Chairperson Sisk explained the user agreement is between the Village and the non-profit sports organizations. It establishes that the Community Affairs Committee will facilitate the use of village owned athletic fields for non-profit athletic associations. The agreement addresses the maintenance, costs and use of Village fields. Any organization wishing to utilize Village fields will have to enter into and abide by the terms of the agreement. The committee discussed the possibility of having a joint agreement that could also be utilized by the School District Chairperson Sisk communicated that she is not sure if a joint agreement will be feasible with the high school. The committee agreed to review the agreement and provide feedback at the next meeting.
- **Santa Meet and Greet:** The Santa Meet and Greet will take place on December 7th from 5:00 pm through 7:00 pm. Santa will arrive at 5:30 pm and the tree lighting will be at 6:30 pm. There will be 4 crafts and hot chocolate, water, cookies and donuts will be served. Because there was not much hot chocolate served last year, it was suggested to include Hawaiian punch and 7-up. Decorations will be done either after the Village Board meeting on Thursday or on Friday afternoon. The committee discussed asking if the Madrigal singers can come to the Village at 6:15 pm to sing during the lighting of the tree. Chairperson Sisk will contact the high school to inquire about the Madrigals and Dave Wilcox regarding the lights. Committee Member McEvoy will contact the firehouse to have Santa scheduled and Committee Member Ducak will contact Cares regarding helpers.
- **HILLER PARK DUGOUTS:** The dugouts project is starting to go forward at Hiller Park. Though the pigtail league was going to pay for one of the dugouts, they had put their funds towards the Jr. High field this year and will not have funds for the dugout at Hiller Park at this time. The committee included the cost of all three dugouts in their recommendation and therefore agreed it would be best to go forward with completing all three dugouts with hopes that the pigtail league will contribute towards the project at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

- **COMMUNITY SIGN:** It's been asked that the Community Affairs Committee look into a new LED Community Sign. Chairperson Sisk asked the committee members take note of other community signs to get an idea how the color displays appear. The current sign is getting outdated and has become more costly to keep running because the parts are becoming more rare making them hard to find and more expensive.

ADJOURNMENT

- Committee Member Ducak moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committee Member McEvoy. All committee members present voted aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marikay Gebis