

Village of Johnsburg
Community Affairs Committee

June 11, 2013

Members Present

Chairman Sisk
Ken Calhoun
Cynthia Ducak
Cheri Dory
Jill McEvoy
John O'Brien
Audrey Ullrich

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm by Chairman Sisk

Approval of Minutes

Committee Member McEvoy moved to approve the minutes from the May 14th 2013 meeting. Seconded by Committee Member Dory – All committee members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Committee Member Ken Calhoun expressed his concern regarding the User Maintenance Fee especially since most, if not all, the sports organizations donate material and time to enhance and help keep up the fields. Chairman Sisk agreed and reported that is why the committee chose to pursue only a small portion of the cost the village expenses to maintain the fields. She added that is also why the committee sought to deduct from the fee the amount each sport organization put into the fields. Committee Member Calhoun added that maybe we could use the Hiller Park Concession Stand as a way to offset some of the maintenance costs if the CAC was to help take it over. Chairman Sisk stated that the Hiller Park Concession is now available, as the individual contracting it out last year will not be doing so this year. Committee Member McEvoy suggested it might be wise to have a committee within the Community Affairs Committee that would be responsible for the concession stand and that way the monies made could be used for functions at the park or park improvements. Committee Member Calhoun suggested that the monies earned from the concessions stand may also be used to offset the maintenance fee. Chairman Sisk advised the committee to think about ideas regarding the Hiller Park Concession Stand. It was also mentioned how nice it would be to be able to use the concession stand for events in the park besides the sports events, such as, movies in the park.
- **Hiller Park DugOuts:** Chairman Sisk mentioned that the dugouts are completed and wanted to thank Bill Swartzloff for his work in the completion of this long awaited project and encouraged everyone to stop and see them.

New Business:

- **Celebration in the Park:**

The Community Affairs committee began discussing items to be done for Celebration in the Park for 2013: **Saturday - October 5th, 2013 from 5 to 9 pm**

- **Decorations:** It was decided that fall decorations would once again be used such as mums, pumpkins, corn stalks, and banners. Committee Member Ullrich will look into getting the pumpkins donated, Committee Member Calhoun will see if we can get corn stalks donated and Committee member McEvoy will contact Stade Farms if we can't get the items donated. The committee will also get the directional, parking and street signs from the public work department. It was discussed to get larger banners for the main corners of Johnsburg
- **Parking:** Get permission from land owner and have public safety stake and monitor the lot
- **Vendors:** Committee Member McEvoy will contact Mike Clark of the Johnsburgs Mens Club to see if they are available and would like to handle the food for the Celebration in the Park. We will also contact HomeTown Caterers for the dessert. Committee Member Calhoun will contact Fritz to see if Half Times wants to sell pizza. We will contact the Lions Club to see if they would like to handle the liquor again this year.
- **Popcorn/Soda/Water:** Committee Member Ducak will look into getting the soda donated by a vendor her daughter works for. If we can't get the soda donated then Committee Member Dory will contact the Johnsburg Wal-Mart to see if they can donate the soda and water. Committee Member Ducak will check to see if we can use the banks popcorn machines again this year. Chairman Sisk will contact Raymond's Bowl to see if they will donate the ice for the coolers. Committee Member McEvoy mentioned it may be better to put the ice in bags.
- **Tents/Tables/Chairs:** Committee Member McEvoy will contact Eds Rental regarding the 2 big tents and the tables & chairs needed along with the lighting inside the tents
- **Donations/Solicitations/Licenses:** Chairman Sisk will contact the office regarding the fire department, insurance, liquor license, health department, wash stations for food, letters /calls for donations, flyers for schools.
- **Maintenance/Generators/Misc Items:** Chairman Sisk will contact public works regarding picnic tables, garbage cans, celebration bins & signs, 4-generators with lights from Ameritemp and individuals, cutting Sunnyside Park grass, hayride
- **Waste Management:** Wash basins, dumpster, recycling bins, potlets
- **Fireworks:** Chairman Sisk already contacted the Mad Bomber to reserve the date
- **Publicity:** Committee Member O'Brien will contact local businesses to have the date of the celebration put on signs, contact the newspapers and eblasts
- **Games:** Committee Member Ducak will take care of the games again this year along with the prizes. It was discussed among the committee to consider walk on water and Committee Member Ducak will look into it, as well as, a clown. Committee Member O'Brien and Calhoun will speak with their preteen children to see what kind of games they would like to see at the Celebration.
- **Entertainment:** Chairmen Sisk, along with Committee Members O'Brien & Dory will look into the bands to play. There are a number of local bands that have sparked an interest and will be considered for this year's event.

- **Donations Buckets:** It was decided by the committee that we will only pass the buckets during the event and not put at locations in the community as it has not worked well.
 - **Clean up:** The entire committee will aid in the cleanup
 - **Notes:** Celebration will be from 5 to 9pm, games from 5 to 7:30pm, Fireworks around 7:30-8:30pm and the entertainment from about 5 to 8pm, cash for all food and tickets for liquor and games
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- **Next Meeting:** The next CAC Meeting has been set for July 16th, at 7 pm located at the Village Hall due to the Holiday week on our normal week
 - **Thank you:** Committee Member Calhoun wanted to thank the committee for the Hiller Park Dugouts and said how pleased the organizations were with them
 - **Adjournment:** Committee Member McEvoy moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committee Member Ducak, All committee members present voted aye. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Marikay Gebis