

**Special Community Affairs Committee**  
**July 18, 2023 Johnsburg Village Hall**  
**APPROVED**

**In attendance:**

**Chairman: Mike Fouke**

**Staff: Beckey Kijak**

**Committee (Events): Adams, Barrett, Hjorth, Johnson and Mathiesen**

**Committee (Parks): Buff, Diedrich, and Thornton.**

**Meeting started: 5:30pm**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	NEXT STEPS
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Minutes from the June 6, 2023 meeting were approved with a motion by Committee Member Adams with a second by Committee Member Johnson. All present voted aye.	
<b>Old Business</b>	<p><b>Memorial Day</b> – Chairman Fouke briefed the committee on the new addition of the Memorial Day Parade. He informed for those that could not attend the June meeting that this would be a Community Affairs event going forward. Mr. Fouke also stated that he has been reached out to by many different people for support for next year’s parade.</p> <p><b>Fishing Derby</b> – Discussion was continued on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fishing Derby. The Committee discussed the outcome of the event. Ms. Kijak reported on the number of shirts sold, derby entries, and fish caught. All in attendance discussed the changes for next year such as pre made sheets for tallying fish caught, a brief meeting before the event kicks off to inform parents that their children need to do the fishing themselves, and setting up stations around the pond to get your fish measured when caught vs the volunteers going to them. Overall the committee’s consensus was it was another great event.</p>	
<b>New Business</b>	<p><b>JABA Scarecrows</b> – Ms. Adam’s brought to the committee an idea that JABA had been talking about. They had thought of making a kit for different groups to pick up and decorate the street light poles in the downtown area. The committee discussed the pros and cons such as a windy day might blow them down and who would pick up. It was discussed to tie with Celebration in the Park as well however discussed that the day of can already be chaotic and that might not be well suited that day. It was mentioned to try this year with businesses decorating the lights in front of their establishment to draw the attention directly to them and making it their responsibility to maintain through the time of it being displayed. Ms. Adams thanked all for their input and stated so would take the suggestions back to JABA.</p> <p><b>Party in the Burg</b> - Ms. Kijak let the committee know that she reached out to Tacos Locos and they were happy to come back to the event. She advised to spoke to Brothers BBQ who respectively declined the invite. Upon that she reached out to Serna’s Grill who was happy to come back to the event as well. Tickets were handed out to all committee members to sell as well as available at the Village Hall. Times were set for decorating the day of at 12:00p and volunteers to</p>	

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	<p>be at the park at 5:30pm.</p> <p><b>Hiller Park Baseball &amp; Softball Fields</b> – Committee Member Diedrich addressed the committee on the fields. He spoke of the Johnsborg Pigtail League’s interest to fix up the field they use. He stated they were looking for assistance from the Village to truck in the necessary supplies to help on costs. Ms. Kijak stated that this would be a good time to do so as the Park’s Department has two seasonal employees on right now to assist. Mr. Diedrich also commented how the employees had recently stained the dugouts at the fields at they look great.</p>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p>A motion was made by Committee Member Thornton to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 with a second by Committee Member Barrett. All present voted aye.</p>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p>The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 5:30pm.</p>	