

agenda

Minnetonka Beach Civic Meeting

Date: Wed. November 9, 2022 8:00 pm

Attendance: Angelina Lawton, Ann Gmach, Kristi Laufenburg, Ellie Bjorkland, Chrissie Boyd, Carrie Pinto, Heid Whitaker, Liz Grabek, Kristen Ainsworth, Geri Scherer, Tiffany Panait, Patty Rezabek, Thressa Fritz, Amber Arnold, Kirsten Haag, Jennifer Halverson, Kate Emmel

Meeting called to order at: 8:15

▪ Spooky Walk – Debrief

- DJ was great.
- The kids helped to clean up to win \$20-which worked well.
- It was a lot for the planning committee.
- The line was long for the tarot card reader.
- How do we attract more residents without children?
- How do we feel about a Saturday v. Sunday?
 - People were okay with Saturday.
- Maybe next year we have it a little earlier in the month of October.
- Order less pizzas next year. (This year we ordered 20 pizzas.)
- The alcohol was just the right amount.
- We ran out of water and cups.
- Having teens help with the craft stations was great.
- Port-a-potty for next year with a sign
- There is a \$600 reimbursement check from the pony lady at City Hall.

▪ Parks Update | Patty Rezabek

- Opportunities for others to be a parks helper.
 - One idea is to do a sign-up genius to be a helper. There is a need for people to water the new trees. Need to be at least 18 years old to help.
- Parks has been looking at the budget to see if they need to purchase anything before year end. New crew with Chip, Bridget Wortman, and Laura Paine.
- Jennifer loves the plantings that were added at Lafayette Park.
- There will be more native planting in parks in the coming years.
- We are at year two for the plantings at the beach, and they will take some time.

- **City Council Update | Patty Rezabek**
 - New mayor in January: Joe Pagano
 - Two new council members: Jennifer Halverson and Chris Dovolis
 - Approximately 73%+ voter turnout; moving forward they will need a couple more people as judges.

- **Budget Update**
 - Jennifer Johnson is not here tonight.
 - The last time we sent out a dues letter was August 2021. We will mail out a new dues letter in January.
 - Keep the cost as is at \$75.
 - If you have any receipts, submit them to Jennifer Johnson. It would be great if you could submit them 30-60 days after the event.
 - Have we considered a Venmo account for Mtka Beach Civic? Jennifer Halverson does not think we can do that. Could we do something online? Table that for Jennifer Johnson to answer.

- **Merchandise Update | Kirsten Haag**
 - Do another blast for merchandise.
 - Angelina and Brian Lawton will model the sweatshirts, and then they will be included in the newsletter in December.
 - Do we want more towels? Coffee mugs?
 - Kristen can bring merchandise to next meeting.
 - Angelina knows someone (Caleb) who owns an online store and people can get exactly what they want.
 - Can we explore payment options?

- **Tea and Toddies | Kirsten Haag**
 - We are looking for a host house.
 - Patty-It has been a tradition for more than 54 years. The tea used to be a tea party at the church during the day. And there was not a large attendance. It has evolved to an open house holiday party. Civic signs up to bring food and help to clean up and set up.
 - Are we open to a Thursday? There are a lot of sports on Fridays. People think that works.
 - Budget is \$1,600 and Lafayette is \$3,500.
 - Patty thinks it is an expectation of the residents.
 - Would people pay for it?
 - Deb Lewis would host if guests take off their shoes.
 - We want to be inclusive and make it easy to get to.
 - Let's wait to see if anyone says they will host by Sunday.
 - Maybe we have to up the budget. Is that feasible?
 - Would people like to do it in January instead? No
 - Look at a Thursday early in December.

- Would a Sunday work?
- How do we know what our numbers will be at Lafayette at this late notice?
- **Skating Party I Marnie Bender, Jennifer Halverson, Kate Emmel**
 - Date-Sunday, Feb 5 from 2-4pm

Meeting ended at: 9:33pm

Next Meeting Date: Wed. Jan 11, 2023 at Jillian Moriarty's house