

**CENTER LINE INDEPENDENCE FESTIVAL
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 16, 2023**

I. ROLL CALL - The following persons were present:

Robert Binson, Chairman
Shawn Massaria, Vice Chairperson
Janice Pockrandt, Secretary
Tracy Senyko, Treasurer
Dennis Champine
Karen Pietrzyk, Trustee
Nick Schaefer
Nancy Barr
Angela Orlando
John Karbousky – Legacy Spirits Dennis Champine
Sue Pauling, Trustee
Aaron Delikta
Patty Berak (VFW)

Excused:

Paul Myszenski, Trustee
Pete Harenski, Trustee
Brandon Jonas
Richard Paul, Trustee
Leesa Paul
George Borst
Nadia Berry
Christine Akroush
Beth Jared
Henry Bowman
John Motyka, Trustee
Waylon Thacker
Bob (K of C)

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA -

- a. Motion by Ms. Massaria, supported by Ms. Pockrandt to adopt the Agenda as presented.
AYES by all

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

- a. Motion by Ms. Massaria, supported by Ms. Pockrandt to accept the January 12, 2023 minutes.
AYES by all

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT – \$35,659.09

- a. Motion by Ms. Senyko, supported by Ms. Massaria to renew the Domain name for \$225.00.
AYES by all

V. COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS AND ACTIONS

a. **Liquor License -**

- i. Has the license been applied for? Ms. Massaria will reach out to Mr. Borst to get status.
- ii. Whoever pulls the license is the only group that can receive a donation.

b. **Beer Trailer –**

- i. Premium Distributors (Miller/Miller Lite) no trailer.
- ii. Possibly 2 trailers from Pedipren, reaching out to Tri County Beverage (Blue Moon).

c. **Raffle Update -**

- i. Raffle tickets are at the Rec, \$5.00 each or 3/\$10.00.
- ii. 1st prize – Cooler of Cheer, 2nd prize – Sample of Center Line, 3rd prize – Scratch off ticket board. Ms. Orlando and Ms. Pietrzyk working on donations.

d. **Video Companies –**

After discussion that we could reuse Galaxie footage for a few years and just do a new promotional video each year.

- i. Motion by Ms. Pietrzyk, supported by Mr. Champine to hire Galaxie productions for \$3,900.00.

AYES by all.

e. **MFEA – November 2nd through November 5th 2023**

- i. Motion by Ms. Senyko, supported by Ms. Orlando for approval for Ms. Massaria, Ms. Pockrandt and Mr. Champine to attend the 2023 MFEA.

AYES by all

- ii. Sending Mr. Karbousky link for MFEA.

f. **Free Event Parking Signs – 18 X 24 inches, \$165.00 for 8 signs**

- i. Motion by Ms. Senyko, supported by Ms. Massaria to purchase 64 Free Event Parking Signs.

Ayes by all.

- ii. Adding Festival Foundation Logo.

g. **TVs for the stage**

- i. Doing more research on outdoor type systems/products, 1 TV.

h. **Entertainment -**

- i. Corn Hole has been scheduled.
- ii. Line dancing has been scheduled.
- iii. Still waiting to hear from Helicopter company.

i. **Sponsorship Update –** Need more Sponsors, go door to door. Ms. Massaria applying for \$20,000 from Meijer.

j. **Vendor Update**

- i. Food Vendors – Fire It Up Concessions and The Wizard Food Truck.

Discussion about Motor City Pasty Company, interested in only Saturday. Decided we are not accepting Food Vendors for 1 day, must commit to all 3 days.

- ii. Arts & Crafts – No craft vendors signed up; the committee agreed to lower the craft vendor fees.
- iii. Business Vendors – H.O.D. and Extra Credit Union (requested prime spot, waiting to confirm sponsorship of anything to confirm the prime spot, as prime spots are typically given to sponsors.

k. **Transportation -**

- i. Ms. Pockrandt is working on contacting Smart bus company.

l. **Security Update -**

- i. Need confirmation from Mr. Myszenski that we are all set.

m. **Beerfest – Open discussion**

- i. Social District taken care of.
- ii. Motion by Mr. Champine, supported by Ms. Massaria to approve the stage, sound and lights for \$2,500.00.
Ayes by all.

n. **Halloween Town / Trunk or Treat – Saturday, October 14, 2023**

- i. Modify hours – Trunk or Treat (5pm- 8 pm) Haunted House (5pm – 10 pm).
- ii. Vendor for cider and donuts.
- iii. Meeting with Crypt Keepers 02.17.2023 at 6:30 pm.
- o. Fireworks – (Pockrandt)
- p. Security – (Myszanski)
 - i. CERT
 - ii. Reserves

VI. OPEN DISCUSSION -

- i. Marketing – Press release, closure of 10 Mile Rd., it was requested that Mr. Champine contacts the news channels soon.
- ii. Mr. Champine and Mr. Binson will set up a DDA meet with businesses on 10 Mile Rd impacted by closure of 10 Mile Rd.
- iii. Need red solo cups, plates, forks and spoons.

VII. NEXT MEETING – March 9, 2023 at 4 pm.

- VII. AJOURNMENT – Motion by Mr. Champine, supported by Ms. Orlando to adjourn at 5:15 pm. AYES by all.**



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