

JUBILEE DAYS FESTIVAL COMMISSION MINUTES

May 1, 2017

12:07 p.m.

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| Present: | Rich Walker | Absent: | Steve Dumyahn |
| | Scott Murphy | | Brent Paxton |
| | Ann Ennesser | | Craig Butkovic |
| | Christine Wertman | | |
| | Les Martin | | |
| | John Lewis | | |
| | Diane Burkemper | | |
| | Carla Villalobos | | |
| | Cheri Neal (arrived at 12:47 p.m.) | | |

Minutes

It was moved by Carla Villalobos, seconded by Christine Wertman, to approve the minutes of a meeting held on February 20, 2017. Upon voice vote, all answered aye. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Diane Burkemper stated that the finances are being handled by the Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce. Rich Walker reported that revenue to date totals \$1,600 from sponsorships and that no expenses have been incurred.

Parade

Rich Walker stated that 32 prospective parade units have responded as compared to 32 at this time last year.

Units Pending Approval

It was moved by Ann Ennesser, seconded by Carla Villalobos, to approve the following parade units:

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| Andy Lindner (Guinness World Record footbag) | \$225.00 |
| Those Funny Little People | \$550.00 |
| Jesse White Tumbling Team | \$1,000.00 |
| Sinful Saints Dixieland Jazz Band | \$1,900.00 |
| Medinah Shriners Segway Drill Team | \$500.00 |
| Stiltwalker Frank Birdsall | \$450.00 |
| Banjo Buddies (Dixieland Jazz) | \$1,300.00 |
| Juggler Aaron Henning | \$225.00 |
| Whistles on Wheels Calliope | \$500.00 |
| Elite Striders Drill Team & Drum Corps | \$400.00 |
| Medinah Shriners Fire Unit | \$450.00 |

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| Medinah Shriners Mini-Choppers | \$500.00 |
| Big Top Circus Band | \$900.00 |
| Chuck A Roo & the Fabulous Memories | \$1,250.00 |
| Total | \$10,150.00 |

Rich Walker recommended that Elite Striders, who requested \$500.00, be paid \$400 as no other entry has increased their fee.

Upon voice vote, all answered aye. Motion carried.

Rich Walker stated that Navy Band Great Lakes has gained possible approval to participate per a telephone conversation with them. He stated that no transportation would be required.

Rich Walker stated that the Great Lakes NTC Units would require transportation if their participation is confirmed.

Rich Walker stated that he learned of a group of adult volunteers who help with special events. He stated that they could possibly carry the parade banners. Ann Ennesser stated that she will talk to the ZBTHS Division Chair to see if any student groups are available to carry the banners.

Carla Villalobos stated that she and Christine Wertman would locate judges. Scott Murphy volunteered to drive the judges if necessary.

Affiliate Activities

Rich Walker stated that Midwestern Regional Medical Center (MRMC) has reduced its financial support of local organizations including Full Score Orchestra. He stated that the orchestra was paid \$2,500 in the past which is very reasonable. He stated that Ron Arden, conductor, asked if Jubilee Days could support a fee increase. Mr. Walker informed Mr. Arden that it was doubtful. Mr. Walker stated that perhaps funds could be redirected from the fireworks display to the concert. He suggested reducing the fireworks from \$5,000 to \$3,000. Carla Villalobos stated that sponsorships may be the determining factor. She stated that the orchestra should be informed that Jubilee Days cannot support a fee increase and they can then decide if they will perform for the same price as last year. Christine Wertman stated that she is concerned that the fireworks provider may not go lower than their very basic \$5,000 display but she suggested contacting them to see if it could be negotiated. It was suggested that Mr. Arden be asked if the fireworks display matters to the orchestra. Chief Lewis suggested that the Commission should see if Beach Park or Winthrop Harbor are willing to help with the fireworks expense. Rich Walker stated that he would do some research and bring this matter back to the Commission before cancelling the fireworks.

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Rich Walker stated that the attendees at the concert and the fireworks are two separate audiences. He stated that he will see if MRMC is supporting Jubilee Days in any amount and this matter will be re-discussed at the next meeting.

Carla Villalobos stated that the Queen's Pageant is adding another level and this will be the first year that four queens will be crowned. This addition is being made to give more kids the option to participate.

OTHER MATTERS

Scott Murphy stated that this meeting would be his and he thanked everyone for allowing to participate and serve.

Rich Walker stated that terms are up for members Brent Paxton, Scott Murphy, Craig Butkovic, and Les Martin. Les Martin agreed to accept re-appointment. Rich Walker will confirm re-appointment with Brent Paxton and Craig Butkovic. He stated that he would ask Mike Pobiecke, Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce President, if we would accept appointment to the Commission to replace Scott Murphy.

Diane Burkemper stated that, with the City contracting with the Chamber of Commerce to present the Jubilee Days Festival, the Commission will not require a Treasurer. She recommended that, since the Chamber has taken control of the finances, the Commission by-laws be amended to eliminate the office of Treasurer. Rich Walker will bring the bylaws to the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 12:00 noon.

There being no further business to come before the Commission at this time, the meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Diane Burkemper
Secretary