TOWN OF NORTHFIELD PARKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2023

Members Present: Scott Haskins, Stephanie Giovannucci, Tim Rose, Sheri Sprague, Sherly Tedford, Sel. Ross Cunningham

There being a quorum meeting was called to order by Chair Haskins at 5:31pm

Minutes:

Cunningham/Rose moved to approve the meeting minutes of November 9, 2023. Motion Passed

Open Projects:

<u>Announcing Booth</u> – Mr. Haskins stated that Cyr Lumber will still be donating the materials up to \$5,000, and we still plan on doing a sign to recognize their donation.

<u>Gazebo</u> – Board discussed the size and shape and agreed if individuals want to take a look at some online to keep in mind it needs to hold the bell on top and needs large openings to be able to see bands or other events held inside.

• Funding:

<u>Account Balance</u> – Board reviewed the account balances, Mrs. Giovannucci stated that there is still one invoice we are waiting on from Kingsbury to blow out the irrigation line.

<u>Cord Wood/Pellets Raffle</u> – Mr. Haskins stated that he received a quote from Cyr Lumber for a pallet of pellets which are 50lb bags at \$200, and will deliver them up to 30 miles. Mr. Rose stated that he spoke to Kevin Fife for the cord of wood and he's offering it up for \$325 and will deliver in the immediate local area.

Board agreed to sell the tickets \$20 each with a max of 100 tickets each, drawing will be held once all tickets are sold.

Spring/Summer Fundraiser: Mrs. Giovannucci stated that we have an opportunity to partner up with another local non-profit and hold a Gel Blaster event at Surrette Park. Board discussed the event and would like to check with insurance and have the other non-profit come to the next meeting to explain further. Mrs. Giovannucci added that the committee can sell food and tickets and split with the non-profit like we are for the fall festival. Board agrees.

Mr. Haskins informed the Board that there's a comedian group of that will come for a couple hours, 18+, BYOB, we can do raffles, silent auctions, 50/50, Funny for Funds. Sheryl will look into getting a trip to auction off.

Sheryl stated that there are farmers markets all over the place and some may be looking for a place to set up in this area and feel the arena would be a great place for that. Board agrees.

Mr. Haskins and Chuck Drew install the Rotary Arena sign.

Fall Beer Fest – Mr. Haskins stated that the Rotary is still interested, and we should start meeting after the first of the year.

Winter – Board agreed to another BINGO night.

- Old Business: None
- New Business:

Board discussed Game Night and felt there wasn't as many people, Mr. Rose expressed concerns that preselling tickets may be confusing people. Ms. Sprague feels it was not promoted enough. Board discussed further about getting more to come out and agreed larger raffle items or auction would be a big help.

Other Business:

Board would like to get some thank you notes to be able to sign and mail out for donations.

• Public Input: None

Next meeting will be January 11, 2024.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Minutes approved 1/11/24