

Park and Rec Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Carey.

Present were: Jill Parkins, Jessica Boelman, Duane Snesrud, Mike Carey, Denise Williamson and liaison Terry Holmes.

Recap of Empire Celebration:

Approximately 439 attended. Very cool and rainy weather. Good turnout considering weather.

Food: Being cooler out people ate more than expected.

- * Went through approx 460 hot dogs. 500 donated by Cub in Lakeville and 500 hot dog buns.
- * All beans gone- only had 6 containers (mistake) get 9 next year.
- * Got 10 potato salad (12 lb tubs), 4 3/4 tubs left. Good number for next year. Donated by Family Fresh.
- * 200 chips left, saved for Marching Band.
- * Approximately 20 cases of water left. Donated by Kwik Trip
- * 25 (?) juice boxes left over.
- * Blue Nose Coffee brought over hot tea and coffee plus lemonade. Big hit, very nice display.
- * Hand Sanitizer went well, use next year. Need food gloves.
- * Need clips for table to hold table cloths.
- * Schwans ice cream always a big hit.

Entertainment:

- * Recycling puppet show left because of rain during set up. Not a good fit for the celebration. Don't have next year.
- * Sheriffs Dept brought their drone, big hit. Try to get a group picture next year from Drone.
- * Twin Cities Fire Engine Association not entertaining, hard to see, was in the corner by tennis courts.
- * Free throw contest looked like it went well.
- * Horse game a hit with little kids.
- * face painting and balloon clown a bit hit. Moved them into meeting room due to rain. Need to advertise little kid face painting better. Make a better poster board of designs.
- * Fire Dept and Sheriffs dept did a good job.
- * Ponies Express and Petting Zoo enjoyed by kids.

- * Total Entertainment did ok this year. Took awhile for kids to come and dance.
- * Bouncies: move big slide back off of tar so kids don't end on the tar.

Thoughts for next year:

Have each committee member in charge of an area for set up and monitoring volunteers. Need more volunteers for bouncies. At least 1 adult per bounce.

Cones at entrance or someone there to direct people when they come for set up.

Count out name tags before hand to get a number of attendees.

Next meeting is August 14.

Submitted by Denise Williamson.