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Recreation Committee Minutes
Thursday, July 5, 2012, 6:30 pm
Brooklyn Community Building

Jill Van Den Eng called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm. Jill Van Den Eng, Dorothy Frandy, Tari Lust, Ginger Valiska and Stacey Hardy were in attendance.

Frandy made a motion to approve meeting minutes from June 7. Lust seconded. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Hardy made a motion to approve meeting minutes from June 25. Lust seconded. All voted aye. Motion passed.

The budget was reviewed along with the reserve fund and July 4 donations. Cans are still being collected and more donations may still be coming for this year's fireworks show.

Fireworks donation request letters need to go out by March for 2013. They were mailed too late this year.

Committee members reported hearing positive reviews on the fireworks show, including a mention on a local radio station. The committee will put together a thank you advertisement in Oregon Observer to acknowledge Dan Dean, Brooklyn Fire and EMS, contributors, and all those who helped make the show happen.

Concession sales were on par with last year. Sixty glow necklaces were sold, along with more than 70 bags of popcorn and 71 tickets for the bounce house. Sales brought in \$230, before expenses.

Boy scouts sold beef jerky and Cub scouts sold soda. It was confusing to have two different organizations selling concessions. Recreation will sell the soda next year along with popcorn, glow sticks and bounce house tickets.

EMS helped with parking, which went much smoother than last year and freed more committee members to work popcorn and bounce house. Two people are needed on bounce house and three to four on popcorn/soda/tickets/glow sticks.

The banner on the park shelter was hard to see. It needs to be moved closer to the road or the committee will purchase a bigger banner next year.

Other ideas for the 4th of July included asking VFW or Legion members to do a ceremony before the fireworks.

Hardy gave an update on the Rec Fun Run held in June. There were 23 people registered for the event, bringing in \$505. These proceeds were donated to the 2012 fireworks.

Hardy acquired \$600 in donations for t-shirts, but spent only a portion of it. The balance should be carried over to purchase t-shirts or other items needed for next year's fun run. The committee plans to have another run, with a tentative date of June 8, 2013. It will start earlier in the morning at the request of participants.

Some ideas for next year are to time the event using a stop watch or a large clock so participants can see their time. The committee will contact running stores that may have running groups to inform that this is a good "first" 5K. The committee may also start a running group in Brooklyn starting in March to train for the event.

The committee will explore ideas for online registration.

The committee is also considering having an antique car and tractor show the day of the Fun Run.

Summer Youth Recreation is underway. Valiska has been visiting and estimated there are about 22 kids in the program with at least 15 showing up daily.

The coordinator is having trouble getting snack donations from participating families. Valiska volunteered to write a letter for the parents to encourage more snack donations. If that fails, the coordinator should purchase snacks and be reimbursed as a summer recreation expense.

No update on the Little Free Library.

The committee discussed signs. Van Den Eng will ask public works where these are stored and how to access them.

Signs the committee knows about are as follows: Movie night – one banner; 4th of July – five new banners and one Pepsi sign; Dime a Dip – four big wooden signs and two Dime a Dip welcome posters; Rec Run – registration banner, start and finish sign and arrows and warning signs. All Rec Run signs are in the storage room in the basement of the community building.

Exercise classes were discussed. Zumba classes were very popular last winter and people have been asking for more classes. The instructor has not been available to teach for several months and it is unknown when she can return. Hardy knows someone interested in doing an ongoing class.

Gym availability needs to be explored, along with registration, payment methods for an ongoing class, and community interest.

Hardy made a motion to adjourn. Frandy seconded. All voted aye. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.