

Cecil Township Parks & Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 3, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE: Board Members Mark Bonus, Arlene Curry, Jim Michalka, Glenn Reidenbaugh, Diana Stromple, Suzanne Campbell

Auxiliary Members: Jack Stromple, Amy Foertsch, Barb Russman, Mariah Nelson, Wendy Johnson, Jennifer Moninger

Guests: Jacques King, Frank Egizio, Diana Stromple, daughter of Diana Stromple

TREASURER'S REPORT: Reviewed.

Proceedings: Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. Bonnie Cowden sent in her letter of resignation so there is an open position on the board. Please submit a letter of application to the supervisors.

1. Meeting minutes from September 2019 submitted for approval. Motion by Diana and seconded by Arlene. Motion passed.

2. Fall Festival Summary -We had 37 crafters, 7 food vendors, 6 information and 21 promotional vendors. Two signed up on the day of, and one vendor cancelled. Chinese Auction brought in \$1180 Saturday and \$1140 Sunday, 50/50 \$338. Expenses were just over \$24,000. Next year we will try to bring in more food vendors. Suggestions were made to put the crafters back more from the walkway so guests can walk along the walkway and shoppers can step off the walkway. Glenn suggested that we have vendors arrive 2-7 Friday, as Mark didn't get out until 9:15 p.m. We did think, pair, share activity. Discussed what we liked and didn't. The Venice Church's photo op was very popular. People liked the free children's activities thanks to getting sponsors. We need to start asking for sponsorships earlier next time. There were suggestions for a dunk tank, bake sale, pumpkin carving contest (with pre-registration). Jennifer makes cut-outs for photo ops, she could make some. The music was well-liked. The dedication of volunteers was much appreciated. Suggestion to have cotton candy, ice cream (maybe the Springhouse), name tags for volunteers, whistle for bounce house volunteers, gaiter for public works (South Fayette had lent our public works dept. One of theirs and it was invaluable, and would benefit them all during the year). Need to ensure drivers and parking lot attendants get food and water, need more festival signs, table and chairs for in the concession stand, start and quit time for the concession stand. A face painter was missed this year. Magician and balloon guy were great. Suggestion for fair rides, might keep people there for the fireworks. Suggestion for corn hole tournament or bocce with cash prizes. Let's not move away from "festival" and go more towards "carnival." We should paint pumpkins again, ask Bedners for more pumpkins...the mini, not the gourds.

3. Trail of Treats: (10/26, 2-4) - We will have themed stations for the parks board to give out candy, one will be the concession stand, one a pumpkin patch, one a scary one, and one witches. Have a costume contest with ages 0-4, 5-7, 8-10. 1st place \$25, 2nd place \$10 gift cards for Sarris's. Glenn will get them. Plan for 200 kids.

4. Bill Bottorff/Jaques King Report: Concrete poured at Lawrence. Equipment is going up. Discussed a grand opening, doing Trail of Treats there. Motion to adjourn by Suzanne and seconded by Jim. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Campbell.