LOWER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP - RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M. – CENTERFIELD BUILDING

Present: Jenny Leggett, Melissa Mastrogiovanni, Nicole Palmeri, Martha Posner, Guests: J. Ascani, Donna Maloney & K. Bartholomew.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 by Nicole Palmeri

II. APPROVE MINUTES – January 3, 2024 Nicole motioned to accept. Martha 2nd. Vote: 3-0.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Movie in the Park – We received a grant for outdoor movie equipment. (Grant money is part of the Hotel Grant). It seems Pachiolli field is the preference because of the bleachers, concession stand and convenience of location for town residents. Rec. Bd hopes to sell candy for profit at the event. We want to do this one year and see how it goes. The screen is 15 feet wide cost is \$2398.00 We could accommodate 150-200 people. Friday October 11th is our first choice with the 12th as a rain date. We need to confirm there is nothing else scheduled at the ball park those dates. We can use a generator. Note: the FD car show is the weekend of the 20th and we don't want to conflict with their schedule.

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Plant sale and farmers market - Saturday, May 18th 10-2 p.m. If it rains will be held at Centerfield. Nicole will give updates and status of vendors / farmers market. Martha suggests a generic contract for vendors auto secure their space. So far we have about 8 confirmed vendors (Nicole has list). Howard is able to supply Ox Heart and Sungold tomatoes. We will assist with that transplanting.

Food options: food truck or just simple coffee, bagels, etc?

2. Community Day – Saturday June 8th 1-5 p.m. in the village. Rain date – Sunday June 9th. We are reaching out to breweries and vendors. Our next meeting will finalize vendors and assign who will reach out to which vendors. We will also finalize who is reaching out to who for donations.

Food: From Rec. Bd:

Free items: lemonade, snow cones, popcorn.

For Sale: Tomato Pie

The Fire Co. will hopefully sell hot dogs, hamburgers and French Fries. We buy supplies?

Food truck ideas:

Food trucks are still being researched. We plan to sell novelty ice creams as well (we are ordering a small the freezer). Ice creams can be purchased at Sams or Walmart.

Melissa will put a donation request in for the pretzels again, they were popular, need more cheese we ran out. Cotton candy: Not a big hit, this year will not plan on it. Popcorn: we will give out pre-bagged.

Spin art –We got a grant to purchase, Melissa knows from Jenny which one should be purchased. After research it is the Gold Medal 7748 Spinner Art Machine through the Ka Tom company.

Donation requests – Martha and Nicole. Melissa does Wawa - pretzels, Crayola, Iron Pigs, LV zoo, Sams Club, Weis, Wegmans, Giant & Target.

Tricky Tray – Melissa will order more tickets this year since we ran out. Can those that made baskets last year indicate what baskets they would like to make this year.

Tables – Need to reach out to those that had tables last year? Any other ideas? Is Big foot going to be asked, Museum, Bell tower, Garden Club, Rescue, Girl Scouts, Wrestling club, Slate belt Family Network, YMCA, any other thoughts?

T-shirts: we will reach out to Bigfoot press for Staff T-shirts and also a logo to print on shirts for sale at the event. We need to discuss the type of T-shirts for printing. Also need to decide shirts for volunteers & staff (LMBT Rec. Bd. & LVBT Rec. Bd. Volunteer) Jenny will research ideas and a logo for front of shirts.

3. A possible Chili cook off at the Centerfield kitchen. A Painting with a Twist Class. could be fund raisers for LMBT

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- V. Any other business to be discussed: other events on the calendar that may affect our schedules: The F.D is having a music event May 11th with food and the band Time Wise.
- VI. Adjournment at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jenny Leggett