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MEETING MINUTES OF January 7th, 2021.

Attendance: Dewey Burluson, John Corring, Ann Cron, Michele Hausch, ,Greg Stalb, Kevin Cuff, Delia Collis.

Councilman: Anthony DeRosa

Guests in attendance:
Drew Metz, Michael Loughlin

Dewey called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Reorganization time. Dewey reviews the committee accomplishments such as the fall festival and work on the fields.

At this time Dewey nominates Greg Stalb to take over as Chair of the req committee. He is voted in with a unanimous vote. Ann is voted in as vice chair.

Dewey explains how he created agendas and sub committees and then turns the meeting over to Greg.

Greg asks Anthony for an updates about the work on centennial field. Anthony explains that it needs to go through Mayor and Council before the bid for an RFP can go out. Greg would like to review the RFP's as they come in and speak with the sports associations for input as well.

Another grant we have is for ADA work. A few suggestions were made on how to use this grant. The committee seems interested in using at Beechwood to get handicap accessible parking closer to the bandshell. Anthony will bring other suggestions as well as the Access for All committee if they have any ideas.

Greg asks about the concert series and it is explained how it works. Usually the concerts are sponsored however there have been some issues with the quality.

How do we move forward from here? Patty has been brought back from furlough however now she is on medical leave. Budgets need to get done and the borough admin will work on them. Anthony will invite the borough admin to a meeting to answer a lot of the questions regarding money.

Moving forward we will look to what can we do virtually now? With Patty not working do we need another part time person?

One of the committee members Michele runs a senior center and we are looking to partner with them to help the Hillsdale seniors. Michele asks Ann if she thinks the seniors would be interested and they are hoping the word will spread to get even more seniors involved. The committee is

hoping that the money not spent on events and sports can be used to help seniors pay membership dues to Tenafly senior center. Michele will connect with Eileen to get things started.

Michael Loughlin asks who should receive the permit requests with Patty out, they should now go to Eileen. He also expresses that he likes the idea of using the ACA grant at Beechwood.

Craig Kardell is the new head of the Hillsdale Hawks. He states that their organization did not have any COVID issues during their season. There is a discussion over the logistics of scheduling future games.

Council Liaison

Anthony talks about the virtual holiday event. There were 400 live streamers and about 1000 who viewed it all together.

Anthony mentions the concert series and that he is spoken to Elizabeth and she understands the concerns. They are thinking of moving the concerts to the fall.

Dewey motions to close and Ann 2nds

Closed 8:10

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Anides

Next meeting, February 4th