



Village of Downs

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Mike	Maureen	Toby	Anna	Brian	Sarah	Stephanie	Julie
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Events Committee Regular Meeting

February 6th, 2024

6:00 pm @ Village Hall

1. Call to Order 6:21 pm
2. Roll Call
 - a. Randy Wert, Cali Whiteside, Erik Rassmussen, Stephanie Adkisson, Mike James, Cyndi Miller (remote medical) – Present
 - b. Julie James, Steve Miller – Absent
 - c. Quorum to do business was declared
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Discussion
 - a. Easter Planning
 - a. 3/23 is the date
 - b. Still need to secure the breakfast location
 - c. Riley will be the bunny again this year
 - d. Stephanie talked to Jill about the decorations from last year's gazebo. Randy will look upstairs in the attic to see if up there.
 - e. Reached out to Kyle to see if churches are still doing Easter egg hunt
 - b. FY2024 Budget
 - a. Mike to talk with Julie about how to make the 4th of July budget zero out.
 - b. Some of the numbers in balance sheet still look off – why 4th large balance
 - c. Freedom Run will be the week before the 4th in FY25
 - c. FY2025 Budget and Plan
 - a. Talked about donations for Xmas lights in park and fundraisers
 - b. Talked about folks needing to update the budgets for next FY events
 - c. Mike walked through the updated plan and asked everyone review and let Mike know if changes need to be made.
 - d. Other
 - a. HH sub committee will be meeting on 2/15 to discuss budget and plans for TW
 - b. Mike is still reviewing the fireworks show but the price will stay at \$15,530.
 - c. Stephnie talked about HH stuff was damaged or missing at Pavilion from rentals during October. They are still going to allow the football boys to use during Oct. Asking for a donation to make up for this shutdown. ~6-8 rentals during the month (\$300-\$400).
 - d. 4th of July
 - i. Next Thing Smoking – will be the night time band again
 - ii. Don't have the day time band yet
 - iii. Looking for a company to do the inflatables – will need to provide volunteers

Other Positions and Committee Chairs

Police Chief
Josh Dingler

Public Works Supervisor
Jill Kasprzak

Treasurer/Budget Officer/TIF Administrator
Julie Bakewell

Zoning Enforcement
Lyndall Cuba

Zoning Board Chairperson
Linda Bowman

- iv. Going to do vendor fair again
 - v. Doing a dunk tank again – “Drop a Cop”
 - vi. Engine One will bring both of there trucks
 - vii. Still have the Beer Garden
 - viii. Need to have several porta potties – worked well
 - ix. Doing an early June fund raiser to rent or buy a large tent – look to rent it out when not in use. Mike asked them to bring options to the Events Committee.
 - x. Look into a cooling tent
 - xi. FFA sold food at the school last year which took away from park food sales.
 - xii. Plans to talk to the TV School Board about asking for community service hours as a requirement.
- e. Old Trailers can be recycled

5. New Business

- a. Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes for January 9, 2024 (Cyndi/Stephanie 6-0)

6. Old Business

7. Motion to Adjourn at 7:42 pm (Stephanie/ Randy 6-0)