



211 S. Seminary, PO Box 18 Downs, IL 61736-0018 Voice: 309-378-3221

Email: <u>Info@VillageOfDowns.org</u>

Website:

www.VillageOfDowns.org

Village President, Village Board and Clerk

			Public Safety /				Building /						Parks/Youth		
	Interim Village		President Pro		Public		Services /						Center/Food		
_	President	•	Tem	•	Works	•	FOIA Officer	•	Streets	•	Finance	•	Pantry	•	Clerk
	Maureen Roach	•	Maureen Roach	•	Toby Twyford	*	Diana Reynolds	•	Brian Warfel	٠	Sarah Gassaway	•	Stephanie Adkisson	٠	Rachel Eagles

Events Committee Special Meeting

June 10th, 2025 6:00 pm @ Village Hall

- 1. Call to Order 6:15 pm
- 2. Roll Call
 - a. Jill Kasprzak, Erik Rasmussen, Stephanie Adkisson, Julie James, Mike James, Cali Whiteside, Randy Wert Present
 - b. Jessica Miskulin, Cyndi Miller and Steve Miller Absent
 - c. Quorum declared to do business
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Discussion
 - a. Car Show Wrap-up
 - a. Feel it went well
 - b. Numbers were down because of threat of weather
 - c. CIA provided the food for the event
 - i. Different menu from HH
 - ii. Trying to make it more of a separate and tradiational
 - b. Clean-up Day Wrap-up
 - a. Close to \$200 donation and tire drop-off
 - b. Filled both trash
 - c. 1.5 recycle didn't grab the Village pile and township
 - d. Talked about moving the date or coordinating with the garage sales
 - e. Possibly making it an event again under the Village
 - c. FY2026 Budget
 - a. Discussed FY2025 budget and new budgets
 - b. Overall budget was \$91.23 over Revenue
 - d. Freedom Run Planning
 - a. Discussed the FR event moving forward under the Village events
 - e. 4th of July Planning
 - a. Grand Marshal
 - i. Committee reviewed the niminations: 5 submissions
 - ii. Decided on Ruth Hood as the unanimous choice
 - b. Parade Route should be ok to still
 - c. CIA

- i. Sponsored
 - 1. Band (\$1200)
 - 2. Inflatables
 - 3. Dunk Tank (Mike James, Josh (if help), Cliff White, Bert Clark, Jen Jepson?)
- ii. Wrist band for \$5 for entire day for the inflatables
- d. Night band is "Star Lizard" Jeff Walker
- e. Donating money from the raffle to the Fireworks
- f. Joe Wood maybe during day still in progress
- g. Vendors
 - i. haven't received agreements (5 supposed to be there)
 - ii. Wants to solicit from the Farmer's Market
- h. Beer garden
 - i. Stephanie is meeting with John
- i. Looking to see if we can get volunteers to man a signup booth during the 4th for volunteers
- j. EMTs are parking the ambulance at the park
- k. Has older volunteers for bounce house, etc.
- I. Money collectors are Riley and others
- m. Volleyball Tournament Garack is doing it again
- n. Parade lineup Misch
- o. Food Vendors: Engine One, Butcher's Block Burger Stop, Snow Biz, wants ice cream person Viking Brew can't do it.
- p. Legion interested in doing food next year
- q. Face painter and balloons \$400
- r. Needs walkie talkie's
- s. No response from corp sponsors
- f. Haunted House Planning
 - a. May need move yard stuff for work to be done on the well pit
- g. Cookies with Santa Planning
 - a. Nothing at this time
- h. Other
- 5. New Business
 - a. Motion to Approve March 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes (Stephanie / Cali 7-0)
 - b. Motion to Approve Ruth Hood as the 4th of Juy Parade Grand Marshal Recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees (Julie / Randy 7-0)
 - c. Motion to Approve Additional 2025 Budgetted Expenses for Freedom Run and 4th of July (Stephanie / Jill 7-0)
- 6. Old Business
- 7. Motion to Adjourn at 8:09 pm (Randy / Cali 7-0)