



Village of Fox River Grove

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2015 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Matt Figas, Michele Holt, Paulette Nichols, Pastor Karen Sersen, Ken Wagner, Kirsten Wall. Also present: Andrew Migdal

III. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

A motion was made by Ken Wagner to approve the minutes from the Special Events Committee meeting on August 13, 2015. Seconded by Paulette Nichols. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor. Motion approved.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT - No Public present.

V. CGYP CAR SHOW RECAP

Ken Wagner reported that there was a "good showing" - approximately 40 cars came from Cary and Palatine. Positive response from those in attendance and he is willing to continue next year on Tuesdays. Vendors: "Dogs ala Cart" (hot dogs) and Little Caesar's. For next year tables and chairs will be needed and signs after breaking away from the Chamber.

VI. FACEBOOK PAGES

- There is a link to the FRG Living for the Weekend Facebook page on the Village website. Currently it can be found under Public Meetings/Boards and Committees/Special Events Committee. Regina asked for it to be moved so that it could be found more easily and suggested moving it to the 'front' page of the website, but was told that area is reserved for committees, agendas, and minutes. Instead, Derek agreed to add a link to the Community tab in the drop down menu under Events/Attractions. Having it in both places is a good idea.
- It may be possible to merge the Village of Fox River Grove Facebook page with FRG Living for the Weekend. The people who like the Pages and any check-ins would be combined, but posts, photos, reviews, ratings, and the username would be deleted from the Page we merge (Village of Fox River Grove). The Page we would want to keep (FRG Living for the Weekend) would remain unchanged, except for the addition of people who like the Page. The Page we wouldn't want to keep (Village of Fox River Grove) would be removed from Facebook.
- In order to merge two Facebook pages, both pages must have the same admin. Sarah would have to add me as an admin to the Village of Fox River Grove Page and then I would try to merge them. Jennifer is checking with Sarah about this and should know by next month's meeting.

VII. HAUNTED FOREST – OCTOBER 24, 2015

Matt to provide generators for power; wood for bonfire; Ken has barrels for bonfire; FRG Fire Protection District \$250 budget

- **Kids entertainment:** hayride (Ken); pumpkin decorating (50 little pumpkins to decorate with markers and stickers – dollar store); games (Matt – ghost castle bean bag toss); face painting;

balloon sculptures; costume contest (0-4 year olds; 4-8 year olds; 8-12 year olds – 6 \$5 gift cards as prizes for one boy/girl in each age category to Dunkin Donuts and/or McDonalds)

- Face Painting/Balloon Artist booked at \$350 from 3:00-6:00
- **Food Vendors:** Floure Shoppe (3:00-6:00 or 10:00????) – Cider donuts, popcorn, pumpkin muffins, hot chocolate; Possibly “Dogs ala Cart” from 3:00-7:00 p.m.
- **Signage:** flyers sent out through schools; “advertising horses,” electronic sign on Route 14 near Chase Bank; Sign by the FRG Library; sign on Route 14 (where they place ski jump sign); painted sheet with lanterns near entrance of the Haunted Forest on Algonquin Road
- **Movie:** (weather permitting) 7:00 – 10:00 Silent movie “Nosferatu” 1922 Vampire movie
- **Music:** Matt – scary music (amp from Doc Woods)
- **Shuttle Bus** – free from Algonquin Township (tip jar...)
- **Volunteers** needed to work in the Forest.....

Haunted Forest Budget: \$1,000.00

- \$350 Face painting/balloon artist
- pumpkins (sponsored by church—Pastor Karen)
- decorating supplies for pumpkins (sharpies, paint, stickers)
- \$30 gift cards (6-\$5 prizes for costume contest)
- signs/flyers
- \$50/\$60 Wood/hay for trailer
- spider rings/”fingers”
- glow in the dark sticks
- “brush” truck – Matt ????

VIII. TREE LIGHTING

Budget \$2,000

- Dec. 5, 2015 2:00-5:00 p.m.
- \$1,200 for train
- decorations for tree
- fabric to cover library book shelves (Santa in ARS library)
- Update overall decorations in gym
- Lions Club – Santa
- Lioness Club – Cookies
- Possible entertainment: Magician, Swing Choir, Irish Step Dancers
- Crafts (need more than last year) possibly cookie decorating
- Will Boy Scouts, Babysitting Co-op, PTO be involved????

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

X. ADJOURNEMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17p.m. All in favor. Motion approved.

Kirsten Wall, Chairperson

Date

Paulette Nichols, Acting Secretary

Date