

**CITY OF HANOVER
PARK BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2020 – OFFICAL MINUTES**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Jeff Grupp called the Park Board meeting of October 27, 2020 to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were Chair Jeff Grupp, Scott Jamison, Leslie Murphy, Alex Holslin, Council Liaison Jim Zajicek and City Accountant / Deputy Clerk Jacki Heinz. Member Dani Vetrano was absent. No guests were present.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Holslin to approve the agenda, seconded by Murphy. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Minutes from September 22, 2020

MOTION by Jamison to approve the minutes from September 22, 2020, seconded by Holslin. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Open Forum:

None

Unfinished Business:

Pumpkin Decorating Event – Recap and Vote on Winners

Murphy stated the event was nice and went very well, mentioned purchasing signs to advertise events in neighborhoods. Grupp stated A frame signs are expensive, the smaller wire signs would be better. Heinz agreed and stated to keep the working generic. Murphy inquired how to get the word out to more residents about events. Grupp suggested making a list of events to advertise on signs. Holslin suggested including the Facebook symbol on the signs. Murphy stated the drive thru worked well for handing out the pumpkins. Holslin stated the turn out would have been better if it was the full event. Grupp stated the Hanover Historical Society encouraged participants to wear costumes, supplies carried over were not enough for this year's event. Jamison stated there was a fair turn out, but slow. Grupp stated hopefully the full event will happen next year.

Concert in the Park 2021 with Mitch Gordan

Grupp stated he spoke with John, co-chair of the Harvest Festival, regarding having Mitch Gordon perform the Friday night before the festival. John expressed their concerns and not wanting to compete with a local business who has shown interest in having a band that night as well. Grupp inquired if we could compete with the State Fair? Holslin stated yes, we can. Jamison agreed as well. Grupp stated to plan for food trucks and inquired about the permitting process through the City. Heinz stated she would discuss with Brian and see what options there are. Grupp inquired about a band to play before Mitch Gordon. Holslin stated most people would like to see 2 bands. Grupp suggested Ryan Carey who plays acoustical guitar. Murphy stated she knows of someone as well. Grupp suggested bean bag games as well. Board consensus to book Mitch Gordon on Saturday, August 28th from 6-8 pm. Heinz will check availability.

New Business:

2021 Event Planning and Scheduling

Ice Skating

Board consensus to not hold this event.

Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 10:00 am

Medallion Hunt / Geo Rocks

Grupp stated he has the Hanover Harvest Festival folder for the Medallion Hunt they held last year; it was done differently since participants went to businesses for the clues. Grupp further stated he searched the internet and found a website to purchase medallions for \$20.00. Grupp also talked with Mary Coons and she feels people prefer prize money over a prize basket, so what does the Park Board want to do? Jamison stated

to focus on the events we have and make them bigger, the Medallion Hunt could be per park or travel from park to park. Murphy stated to slim down the number of events and put more energy into successful events with higher attendance. Zajicek suggested turning the pumpkin decorating event into an Oktoberfest with the same activities. Murphy stated she like the Medallion Hunt, the clues can be difficult. Grupp agreed, need to work out the details.

Bike Rodeo

Grupp suggested having the Bide Rodeo right after Memorial Weekend at the school or City Hall parking lot. Heinz suggested the Saturday before Memorial Day. Jamison inquired if it would be too cold. Grupp stated May 22nd or a Saturday in June. Board consensus for Saturday, May 22nd from 9:30 – 11:30 am.

Zoomobile

Heinz will set this up with the MN Zoo.

Reports:

Heinz

- Will go over timecards at the November Meeting, we do not meet in December

Adjournment:

MOTION by Murphy to adjourn at 8:02 p.m., seconded by Jamison. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ATTEST:

Jackie Heinz, Accountant / Deputy Clerk