

Minutes
Homer Township and Village of Homer Glen
Homer Harvest Days Joint Committee

Thursday, January 26, 2017 - 7:00p.m.
Homer Township Administration Building
14350 West 151st Street, Homer Glen, IL 60491

Approved:

1. Call to Order: 7:03PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call; Establish Quorum

Present: Linsey Sowa, Mike McGowan, Sharon Sweas, Renea Wojnowski, Margaret Sabo, Regina Robinson, Russ Knaack arrived after 7:30P.

Absent: Karen Szykowski, Randy Juras, Nancy Strack,

4. Amendments to Agenda:

5. Approval of Minutes:

6. Public Comment/Input:

7. Announcements:

8. Old Business - (Motion or Action may be requested)

a. 2016 Event Re-cap

- Sabo discussed pedestrian traffic patterns. People walking on the road.
- Discussion took place regarding any issues brought up by committee members.
- Sweas mentioned the need for a port-a-john in the vendor parking lot for volunteers as well as for the bus drivers.

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b. 2016 Financials

- Sowa mentioned that financials for 2016 are complete. Village paid their portion.
- Robinson requested a final sponsorship tally for the 2016 HHD event so that we have a guideline for this years' event.

9. New Business - (Motion or Action may be requested)

a. 2017 Planning

- Sowa said that we should explore a family friendly petting zoo.
- McGowan asked about the baseball exhibition for 2017.
- Sowa suggested that we should invite one of their members to a meeting to discuss logistics in setting up the exhibition.

- McGowan said that he knows someone who worked at the Naper Settlement and will try to obtain some ideas from them.
- Sabo working on demonstrators, Mr. Lincoln, candle making-Cathy Rehr, Wild Ones, Master Gardeners.
- Sabo said the following may not return in 2017, Arnie Bandstra, tomahawk thrower, bow maker and Civil War photographer.
- Sabo said that several vendors may not return such as the Indian handmade items and drums, chain saw carver.
- Sabo said she is working on several new vendors such as a basket maker, possible lead to a sheep shearer, bee keeper and woodworker.
- Sabo asked committee members to send leads and ideas to her.
- Sowa asked to consider how we will handle the food this year.
- McGowan said that there were some long delays on the availability of pizza.
- Wojnowski mentioned the need to attract people to other areas of the farm.
- Robinson and Sabo said that Toasty Cheese was at Bengstons and recommended it.
- Wood Paddle was mentioned.
- McGowan mentioned Lynnies Ques BBQ from Lansing.
- Discussion was brought up regarding the usage of food trucks.
- Food Trucks eliminate the cost of the large food tent.
- Sowa said the food trucks also provide their own electricity.
- Wojnowski discussed the need for pop-up tents, as three were destroyed this past year.
- Sabo said the emails are not getting through and wanted to know who will be sending her the applications.

b. 2017 Meeting Schedule

- Sowa discussed keeping the HHD meeting schedule for the fourth Thursday of the month, but will check to see if a 6:30PM start time will work for the committee members.
- Sowa discussed committee appointments.

10: Adjournment: 8:00PM

Motion to adjourn by Wojnowski, second by Sabo ALL-YES,

Motion Carries



Respectfully submitted by Sharon Sweas