

CCT Board Meeting May 25, 2020 at Alliance Tax Services

Attendees: Charles Wann, Kari Wann, Dave Fine, Jeanne Evans, Matt Yocum, Paul Ruder, Vince Sutter, Denise Sutter, Lowell Hamrick, Angie Caryer, Ed Caryer, Lynn Skelton, Ron Skelton, Megan Wright, Bill Spencer. Lavon Wiles and John Fifer had approved absences.

Start of meeting: The meeting started at 4:04 pm at the Alliance Tax Services.

Minutes: Angie read the minutes. Approved by Charlie, seconded by Ed.

Treasurer report: Angie read the profit & loss statement. Later she read the balance sheet. A number of issues were raised, which are covered below. The motion to approve the report was made by Paul and seconded by Ed. The motion passed unanimously. Copies of the profit & loss sheet and the balance sheet were handed out in the meeting.

Butler Days Parade: It was noted that the Butler days have been cancelled due to the virus. The parade is moot.

CCT plans for the MP Building: The option of cancelling the walk-in portion of the CCT, was raised. A lengthy discussion followed concerning the risks and options. This included no raffle, scouting, food, reindeer, or Santa. It also included no outdoor Santa handing out candy canes. The possibility of an outside Santa waiving to kids is still a viable option. The fireworks would also continue. Charlie motioned to cancel all but the drive through portion and Paul seconded. The motion was carried, with Lynn voting to continue with the indoor displays. The 2020 season will be strictly a drive through light show.

Defiance County Fair: It was noted that the 2020 Fair has been cancelled but the livestock auction will continue. The FB has a meeting on Monday (Aug 3) to discuss their plans. Dave Fine will attend to learn more about their schedule and if we can begin decorating early this year. He will update the board via our messenger.

New Contract: Nothing can be done until the FB determines their plans for this year. Later this week Dave Fine will contact Jerry to setup up an informal meeting to begin negotiations.

Work Day: Aug 15th has been set as a work day for the entire board to begin organization of the displays. Last season ended with the lift being down so some lights were taken down very late. Some lights were damaged by the wind, so this will be a good start to the new season. We need to make metal hangers for the stations, the wooden supports are not sufficient.

CC Lane: A number of opinions and options were discussed for the setup of Christmas Card Lane. Two of the primary options were to continue to group them in the campground, or to spread them across the entire route. Since we have time to consider the options we decided to table this issue until later.

CC replacements: A couple of existing cards need to be revised. How we plan to handle and charge updated cards was discussed. No new cards will be accepted. This issue will be revisited in the next meeting on Sept 13.

Storage during fair: If the fair does not need to operate in the Blue Beef Barn, Prancer and lift will not need to be moved. Otherwise, we will need to move them for 2 weeks around the use of the barn. This will be discussed, with Jerry, in the next meeting.

Purse Bingo: Kari noted that she would contact St. Andrews to make sure they know the event has been cancelled.

Schroeder trailer: Dave Fine noted that Schroeder was selling his large 2016 trailer for \$3800. He suggested that we consider buying it for parades and display setup. The board discussed the need for this trailer, the costs, and the storage. This issue was also tables for the next meeting.

Computer Controllers: It was noted that the existing PCs experienced an array of difficulties last season. At the end of the season we discussed looking into purchasing new PCs to control the five pixel displays. Vince will contact Richard Renn to identify the hardware requirements of the PCs. He will also contact Moore's Electronics to obtain a quote if they handle ruggedized PCs that are suited for the outside environment. This info will be sent to the board for review.

Website: The CCT website has not been recently updated. Vince will determine what needs to be added and will forward the info to Teo Lenard so it can be incorporated into the website.

Next Meeting: The next CCT board meeting will be held on Sept 13 at 4 pm at Alliance Tax Services.

Motion to Adjourn: Charlie Wann made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Ed and was passed. The meeting ended at 6:30 pm.