

## Spirit Committee Meeting

February 10, 2020

This special meeting of the Spirit Committee was called to order at 3:04 p.m.. Present were Chairman Carl McEntarffer, Committee members Lorelee McKee, Will Ritter, Janet Avery and Cheryl Viola. Committee members Annie Dovenmuehler joined the meeting via zoom at 3:15 p.m. a.m. Also present were City Clerk Bernadette Coderniz and City Liaison Chris Barber. City Administrator Mike Williams joined the meeting at 3:25 p.m. and Secretary Katie Elliott joined via Zoom.

### **Approval of October 8, 2020 minutes (Action Item)**

Ms. McKee made a motion to approve the October 8, 2020 minutes.

Second to the motion by Mr. Ritter, and carried.

Unanimous “ayes”

### **Discussion – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration:**

Chairman McEntarffer opened the discussion by asking how the committee feels about having the Freedom Fest Celebration and fireworks show. Ms. Viola stated outdoor events are allowable with 25% capacity, and Ms. Avery stated the committee should move forward with planning the event even if it is only for the fireworks show. Ms. Elliott commented that the company, Fireworks West Internationale, reached out to Mr. Williams and a quote is being submitted. The committee agreed that a “Save the Date” flyer should be sent to the vendors to secure the date for their plans. Ms. Coderniz inquired about the vendor payments and if they will still be going through the Chamber, and Ms. Viola confirmed yes.

Mr. Ritter motioned to proceed with the Freedom Fest on June 26, 2021.

Second to the motion by Ms. Avery, and carried.

Unanimous “ayes”

### **Discussion – Easter Egg Hunt:**

Mr. McEntarffer stated that the event is currently planned as normal although there may not be a breakfast due to COVID concerns. He stated he will notify the committee once he receives word that it is in fact being held. Mr. Barber stated that things needed to get back to normal. There was brief discussion regarding a breakfast and keeping it simple, allowing for kids to attend, etc.

### **Citizens Correspondence and Issues**

None

### **Discussion Period**

#### **Staff Reports**

Mr. Barber spoke of the City Wide Clean Up Day and stated that Keller Williams will sponsor the event, provide the lunch costs, etc. He noted that there are masks and garbage everywhere and that the event gets people into the spirit of being a community. Masks can be worn if desired. Ms. Viola spoke about May Day on May 1<sup>st</sup> and the option of extended the event beyond one day. She also asked if Operation Facelift with Larry Hall

will be part of the clean up event. Mr. Barber noted that there were many participants two years ago. Discussion ensued regarding the event; meeting at the park and assigning teams to specific areas, etc. A discussion item pertaining to the City Wide Clean Up Day will be added to the agenda for March so that decisions can be made.

Mr. McEntarffer spoke of Christmas in Jerome and stated that they need more volunteers to help decorate the trees and suggested doing it on a Saturday to encourage more involvement. He spoke of a residential decorating contest whereby homes would be assigned numbers and residents can vote for their favorite; a sponsor would be needed for a prize, and it was suggested that a local business benefit from this (gift card to the business as a price, for example).

Ms. Viola spoke of the “Shop Local” campaign at the Chamber and stated awards were for local businesses shopping at local businesses.

Mr. Williams thinks the Freedom Fest should be able to happen and that the vendor reached out to him already. Regarding the Easter Egg Hunt and breakfast he and Mr. McEntarffer will speak to Gary Warr at the Jerome Recreation District to see about a “Plan B” if the event is somehow cancelled.

Mr. Barber stated that Joe Mama’s needs volunteers and that he believes the Rotary can take over the car show to ensure there enough people to help. Events need volunteers to make them successful, and when people are active in the community the events grow. Ms. Avery agreed.

Mr. Ritter stated that connecting with the faith communities is important and can bring volunteers for the different events (tree lighting, clean up, etc.).

#### **Setting Next Meeting Date**

Next committee meeting will be March 10, 2021 @ 3:00 p.m.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further discussion, Chairman McEntarffer closed this special meeting at 3:42 p.m.

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Carl McEntarffer, Chairman

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Katie Elliott, Secretary