

Village of Howard City
Park and Rec Meeting Minutes
September 27, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm. Members present: Becker-Fountain, Olsen, Maguire. Others Present: Kuzmik

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Becker-Fountain seconded by Olsen to approve minutes from August 16, 2023, minutes. Motion CARRIED (3-0)

Public Comment: None.

Old Business:

A-1) Halloween:

- i. Games update – CENTURY 21 Rockgate plans on having the spin the wheel game, guess the number of candy corn, possibly corn hole, a photo booth, and tables set up to do Halloween word search and/or color while kids are waiting to have faces painted.
- ii. Music – it was decided to not have any music at the event.
- iii. Contests – There will be a best decorated “trunk” display with a prize of \$25 gift card; there will also be three costume contests each to receive a \$10 gift card and a “giant” candy bar.
- iv. Participants – As of now, we have heard from Droski Insurance, DTW Transport, SR Automotive, Pizza Café, and Kristy and Martin VanderHoof.
- v. Donations – We have currently received \$50 in donations and the Lion’s Club has pledged \$75. Leppinks has agreed to donate 500 donut holes and Deb Becker-Fountain will be donating some of the hot dogs.
- vi. Lighting – The Village has purchased a few flood lights to mount on some of the poles surrounding Ensley Park in order to help with lighting up the trail. It was requested to have a test of the lights prior to the event.

A-2) Buck Pole – Ronna Wabanimkee has started to get the word out regarding Buck Pole today via Facebook.

A-3) Tree Lighting – Sleigh rides have the deposit made so will be part of the event this year. The Chamber would like to partner with Parks and Rec and get businesses involved by staying open and participating in the events. It was requested to have a banner displayed advertising the event to get the word out more. The Buck Pole was suggested for use. Ronna Wabanimkee agreed to get donations for gift basket and Deb Becker-Fountain will be contacting the school regarding having some form of music at the event.

New Business:

B-1) None.

Motion by Becker-Fountain seconded by Maguire to adjourn the meeting at 4:57 pm. Motion CARRIED (3-0)