

Minutes of the Fort Calhoun Enhancement Committee Meeting

Monday, April 6, 2009

In Attendance: Judy Boyd, Dixie Humphrey, Sue Newman, Judi Seaver, LaDona Schuler.

Announce Open Meeting Compliance: Judy Boyd

Roll Call: Kathy Ohrt, absent.

Enhancement Committee Fund Balance;

It is reported that the balance is \$8,693.25.

Status of Banners:

Judi Seaver presented a price quote from DISPLAY SALES of Bloomington, Minnesota. She noted that a different print process (from the one originally explained) will save money. We would also get a price break if we order 10 instead of 8 banners. They also discounted the total banner price from the original quote. Judi will attend the next City Council Meeting to present the final quote proposal from DISPLAY SALES.

Dixie will contact Linda Welsher as to the whereabouts of the Lewis & Clark Banners so they can be put up this May & June

Fort Calhoun Trail Head Planting Plans:

Judi Seaver said that she will clean up the area that is to be planted this spring. She said that there is also some transplanting she will be doing. Judi will also sketch out an outline for future plantings this spring possible on a high berm. We are wondering if it is the duty of the Park Board to build the berm.

Sue Newman will talk to David Gangways on any ideas he might have for plantings at the Trail Head.

Discuss Kick-Off Party for the Adopt-A- Street Program.

The Kick-Off party will be held at Market Square Park on May 9th, at 9:00a.m. Sue Newman said that she will have trash bags to hand out at the Elementary Vocal Concert on Tuesday, April 7th. LaDona Schuler said she will copy the fliers so Sue can hand them out at the Concert also.

We will also hand out trash bags at the Party as the event will also be a voluntary spring clean up day for the whole city of Fort Calhoun.

Judy Boyd will purchase treats and drinks for those attending the Party.

Dixie Humphrey will get an article to the Enterprise and see if they might be able to cover the event.

Discussion of Project Funding Options:

Judi Seaver has applied to OPPD for a grant application for \$2,500 for trees and shrubs to be planted along the new walkway in Pioneer Park.

Sue Newman noted that we might be able to apply for a grant from Washington County Recycling.

It was noted by the City Clerk that any money spent by the Enhancement Committee must first be presented to the City Council for approval.

Discuss Summer Program Ideas:

We continued the ongoing discussion on Flowers for the main street. We discussed the possibility of using Sheppard Hooks to hang flower baskets on. We will try one in the pocket park in front of the City hall to see how the wind treats it. We also discussed using pots, resin, cement, etc. on the east side of the street where it is all cement. We will discuss this again at the next meeting.

WE discussed a city wide “walks the walking trail” tentatively set for August 1st. La Dona would disperse maps to follow denoting mile markers.

Public Comments:

Sue Welchert noted that she sees a lot of trash around Fort Calhoun when she walks her dog. She was happy to hear that we are planning two cleanup days.

Our next meeting will be held Monday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the Longhorn Bar.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dixie Humphrey, Fort Calhoun Enhancement Committee