

Christmas in Calhoun

City Hall, 110 S 14th Street, Fort Calhoun NE
September 10, 2019 7:00pm

Call to Order at 7:00pm

Open meeting announcement

Present: Corbin Helmandollar, Eileen Justus, Jeanne Knight, Katie Knight, Lori Lammers, Coleene Robinson, Mitch Robinson

Minutes: August 6, 2019 meeting minutes approved as presented.

Tree Lighting – Saturday, November 30, 2019

Park: We moved the meeting to West Market Square Park and discussed the placement of the new Christmas decorations for the park (40'x6' Santa & Sleigh) and for the north and south city entrances (15' nutcracker soldiers). We also discussed general decorations for the park, gazebo and main Christmas tree. The Gazebo Christmas tree needs to be fluffed and we need more volunteers to help decorate the park and gazebo.

Program: Light Parade at 5:30pm, smaller gift drawings, Tree Lighting @ 6:00pm and large gift drawings. We will have three gifts (small, medium and large) for both children and adults. Jeannie Knight has a 6' filled Stocking for the large child gift plus a small gift for each child. We still need a large adult gift.

Golf carts, ATV's, etc. need to be registered for the parade (no cars or trucks). The FOP will provide cocoa and cookies.

Corbin will look into the PA system and a master switch to turn on all Christmas lights during program. Still need to see if school children will sing carols and if Nikki's Dance troupe can perform

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Events: Community Building – decorate, set up tables and gifts on Friday, December 13.

We will need more volunteers for Kids Shopping and Cookie Decorating. To date we have 232 gifts for men and 352 for women and need medium gift bags. Kid's Shopping is for 6th grade and under.

All canned goods go to the Community Bldg. – need to create a drop-off area for food cans.

We will have two hayracks with horses with possible stops at the maintenance building and by the Longhorn. The maintenance building area needs more lighting – both general and Christmas.

Publicity: Keep the same publicity for 2019; mail the CinC schedule with the December water bill, send flyers with elementary school children, post on bulletin boards around town and on Facebook. Have the "Grinch" move through town again to collect canned goods and promote giving canned food for the Food Bank (begin after the Tree Lighting).

Sponsors/Donors: Needed

The next Christmas in Calhoun meeting will be 7:00pm on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Lori Lammers