



Park and Recreation Minutes 3/28/2022

Chair Mike Carey called the meeting to order. Present were Mike Carey, Mark Page, Jordan Johnson, Josh Lindgren, Nicole Bower, Eric Hanson and Dawn McCracken.

We've received 6 applications for food truck vendors thus far. All is progressing well other than the concern that the current ordinance has a restriction on length of trucks which some exceed. A request to amend the ordinance to include larger food trucks will go before the Planning Commission and then the Town Board for review. Applications will continue to be accepted until all slots are filled and decided upon.

Dawn will notify the Sheriff Department & Farmington Police Department that this event will be happening. We may have our dedicated Empire Sherriff on duty by then.

The Committee recommends use of tagboard signs for the food truck event at every Empire neighborhood as we would for other events happening. In addition, we would like a large plywood sign at the ball fields placed a couple weeks in advance.

Dawn will reach out to Kellee to connect on marketing efforts, volunteers needed and trash/recycling removal after Food Truck "Grab and Go" event.

Eric will reach out to Dakota Lumber to see if they'll donate the 1-2 sheets of plywood needed for the large signs.

All vendors for Sunday Entertainment are confirmed except for one. Dawn will continue to reach out to him until his participation is decided upon.

The deadline for Town Hall Park bids is April 6th.

The Committee discussed the need for a new sponsor to partner with for events such as the Empire Celebration and Empire Holiday Party. Dawn will search for an inquiry received last year from a local resident/business to see if they would still be interested in partnering with us for these events.