

HOLIDAY DECORATING COMMITTEE MEETING – April 12, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fred Keller, Tim Eiler, Miranda Schufman, Barb Kastens, Council Liaison Robert Smestad

MEMBERS ABSENT: Andy Harvala

STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Clerk Kristine DeBoer

VOLUNTEERS PRESENT: Stephanie Schenkel, Niki Harwood

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6:30 PM

AREAS OF FOCUS:

Miranda Schufman shared pictures of the ice rink at Boniface Field and Missile Park. Discussion ensued regarding electric connections:

Missile Park –

- There is an outlet near the missile, but this is used by the lighted sleigh Public Works installs each year. Verify that nothing else can be plugged in.
- Outlets inside shelter could be used so lights could be placed on the shelter.
- Concession stand – also decorate this building with lights, verify if there are any outside outlets that could be used.
- Committee would like to place something on fence, is there any outlet connections near or able to be used?

Boniface Field-

- There is an electrical connection by parking lot. What needs to be done to make this usable. Cannot string extension cords through park. Is there another connection in outfield?

City Hall/Memorial Park –

- Keller reported that the Lions and Legion clubs are discussing how to get power to the gazebo for the Christmas tree and decorating the gazebo with lights. He also reported that the Lions will be requesting to plant a tree in Veteran's Park on Memorial Day. The Historical Society is also working on placing plaques in the Memorial Park stating describing why a person has received a memorial.
- Committee suggested lighting/decorating the City Sign – there is electric there.

Downtown –

- Discussed best way to get businesses involved. Barb Kastens and Stephanie Schenkel volunteered to draft a letter to the local businesses requesting their participation. Letter to include Fire Department and Crown College along with local businesses: Mark's Laundry, Antique Store, Grumpy's, Crossbar, State Storage, Subway, Mackenthun's Meats

Other –

- Previous city decorations are at Public Works and can be viewed at any time. Call Assistant Clerk to schedule. Inventory includes: 10 banners, 8 50" wreaths, 10 5' snowflakes

FUNDING:

Parks Improvement fund will have the approximate funds available: Missile Park - \$10,000; Veterans Memorial - \$2200; Memorial Park - \$700 and various parks \$400. Committee again discussed somehow obtaining a sponsorship.

NEXT MEETING:

May 10, 2022 – Holiday Decorating Committee 6:30 pm

MEETING ENDED AT 7:00 PM