

HOLIDAY DECORATING COMMITTEE MEETING – September 13, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fred Keller, Andy Harvala, Barb Kastens, Tim Eiler, Miranda Schufman, Niki Harwood

MEMBERS ABSENT: Council Liaison Robert Smestad

STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Clerk Kristine DeBoer

VOLUNTEERS PRESENT:

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6:32 PM

APPROVE MINUTES:

Motion made by Harvala and seconded by Kastens to approve the July 12th Committee Meeting Minutes. Aye 3/0 Eiler and Schufman abstained

Motion made by Eiler and seconded by Schufman to approve the August 10th Committee Meeting Minutes. All aye 4/0 Harvala abstained

LETTER TO LOCAL BUSINESSES – TELEPHONE FOLLOW UP: REPORT FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Schufman – Companies she contacted were very supportive and most stated that they would do what they could. Made note that Holiday does not participate in city decorations (maybe a company policy). Hansen's rents his space so wasn't sure what decorations would be allowed by his landlord.

Kasten – her contacts all acknowledged that letter was received, and response was very positive. Jazzy J's lighted a pine tree on property last year and will do so again this year, St. Boni Bistro always does some sort of decorations but will try to do more. Gregg's Floor Covering has decorations that he could install but is unable to do this himself. Niki Harwood offered to contact him to see what help he would need.

Keller – also received a very good response from his contacts. Old National will decorate, but not sure how yet. Tonka Mills asked that letter be sent again to a different address. Keller supplied address to staff, and it will get mailed this week.

Eiler and Harvala did not make calls and will determine who hasn't been contacted and reach out in the next few weeks.

Kastens also conducted a presentation to the Homeowners Association on Meadowview Way and has requested their participation. It was suggested that maybe some lights could be put at the entrance to Meadowview Terrace if there is an outlet. Staff will find out if there is an outlet at this light.

Harvala stated that another notice should go out in the October newsletter.

LIONS SCHEDULING ELECTRICIAN FOR ELECTRICAL HOOKUP NEAR GAZEBO:

Keller stated that Mike's Electric has been scheduled to provide power out to the gazebo. Date has not been determined yet.

NEXT YEAR:

Keller suggested that Memorial Park be a focus for next year and determine how to build upon the decorations. Harvala stated that meetings should start again after the first of the year to contact businesses and see what we could do to help businesses – maybe offer storage for larger decorations.

Harwood suggested that businesses maybe would be willing to do a DIY decoration. Gnomes are big this year as are pallet trees. Maybe an insert on a DIY decoration could be put in newsletter.

NEXT MEETING:

October 11, 2022 – Holiday Decorating Committee 6:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Eiler and seconded by Kastens to adjourn the meeting. All aye 5/0

MEETING ENDED AT 6:56 PM