

PRT Commission Minutes
Tuesday, August 16, 2016

1. Mayor George Sheppard swore in five committee members to the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Commission
2. Meeting was called to order
3. Election of officers yielded:
Secretary - Trish
Marketing - Bec
Fundraising - Christina
Community Events - Emily
Open - Tom
4. Function of PRT (and Subgroups)
Breaking ground in the next couple of months on the first 10 acres of Catawba Park. Fundraising is of utmost importance for the park. Looking for subgroups to help out. Give thought to anyone you may know who would be willing to help out. Joey can provide names of those who have already expressed interest in helping.
Joey sees the function of the PRT as follows:
Recreation chair (Trish) will be looking at other recreation programs/demographics for the city.
Fundraising will come up with opportunities to raise money, especially for Catawba Park.
Marketing will assist by providing materials for fund raising and promoting events.
Even though each committee member has a specific job, you can assist with the different sections and work together. Joey will provide direction for each office and will meet individually with the committee members as needed.
5. Fall Festival – Oct 29th, 11am – 5pm
Emily has already been working on the Fall Festival which will consist of food trucks, a beer garden, vendors, children’s activities and a band. The Lions Club will be holding a costume parade and the Women’s Club will be doing a rummage sale. Bec stated that her husband could do a story on the festival. Joey is looking for someone to reach out to schools, dance groups, choirs (etc) to fill an 11-1 time slot for entertainment. The Mayor suggested that each committee member come up with the name of a vendor who can participate in the Fall Festival. Emily said we are in need of Arts and Crafts type vendors (no more doctors, chiropractors, insurance companies). The vendor fee is \$35 for regular vendors and \$100 for political. Day-of help is needed to provide golf cart shuttles for the vendors and traffic control.

As of this time, the community events sponsored by the city are:
July 4th celebration, Summer Concerts w/ Food Trucks, Fall Festival and the Christmas Tree Lighting
6. Staff Comments
Next meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept 6th @ 6:30pm. We will be discussing the Fall Festival and Catawba Park. The Mayor asked Joey to bring a layout of the park to aid in the discussion of park plans.
7. Committee Comments
Christine asked Joey to provide contact information for each committee member. Joey will send out a roster with email addresses.
8. Public Comments
The Mayor’s daughter spoke in regard to marketing and a gentleman present said it looks like the committee will have a lot of good ideas.
9. Adjourn
Joey adjourned the meeting at 8:03pm