Community Affairs Committee (Combined) Meeting February 4, 2025 at Johnsburg Village Hall Approved

In attendance: Chairman Mike Fouke

Staff: Vinny Lamontagna

Committee (Events): Barrett, Hjorth, Hettermann, and Winiarski Committee (Parks): Buff, Davis, Diedrich, Thornton and Wuchter

Meeting started: 5:30 pm

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	NEXT STEPS
Minutes	Committee Member Thornton moved to approve December 3, 2024 minutes. Committee Member Buff seconded the motion. All Committee Members present voted aye. Motion carried.	
Chairman Report	Chairman Fouke reported to combined committee that on or about April/May (weather permitting) through a private donor, Sunnyside Park improvements would be begin excavation with pickle ball & volleyball courts, playground equipment, path network, lighting and parking lot expansion. The initial pause in the project was for a proposed Redwood development that has been delayed. However, the Village P.W. crew will begin site planning and layout (Phase 1). Additionally, Hickory way future Lion's Park will also begin excavation for parking lot and pad for pavilion install with substantial completion before Fishing Derby.	Coordination to continue and biweekly checks with vendors on timeline. Consulting Engineer Firm to grade stake the proposed elevation (weather permitting) and spoils for berming/barrier. P.W. phase 1 lead in excavation and site preparations for material ordering allocation. Saufen und Spiel parade staging for J.C.C./J.C.M.C. needs to discuss and plan for Roadway prep as Sunnyside Memorial Field will be under excavation or completed with Park Improvements.
Old Business	2025 Event Calendar Look-ahead was discussed by Chairman Fouke with emphasis on Easter Egg Hunt proposed April 19 th and Memorial Day proposed May 26 th .	Staff to coordinate sponsorship letters and the stuffed egg count for community at 6,000 (double from previous years orders due to no spring break conflict and projected weather)
New Business	Chairman Fouke expressed Committee Member Hjorth vision for proposed Fun Run/Walk special event 2025 which raises funds for the Johnsburg school's sports programs. Committee discussed the potential issues with funds raised for school verse village and ultimately finalized the event to have committee volunteer support, but not a Village Community Affairs lead event due to fund allocation being for Johnsburg school sports specific.	Committee Member Hjorth to coordinate and submit Special Event permitting process with The Boat House of Chicago, Johnsburg Sports Athletic Department, etcand CAC members willing to volunteer and aid in the proposed route and staging criteria requirements for Special Event in Village municipal codes. Proposed date for event Sunday, August 17 th to avoid other event conflicts.
	Chairman Fouke confirmed entertainment for proposed Party-in-the-Burg with Mr. Wallace 1Hr (opening) contract for entertainer and then following	Staff to continue PITB event planning and securing signed contracts prior for proposed July

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	2Hrs contract with Pat McCurdy Show and one (1) food truck allocation, and opening spectators/attendees to supply their own food for entertainment time of the event (new this year to PITB).	25 th
	Chairman Fouke along with committee members' discussion involved for preparation for Easter Egg Hunt in Village to double the previous years stuffed candy eggs due to no conflict of spring break and current projected light winter weather the event will be well attended. Additionally, expressed JABA interest to be involved with hot beverages and staff coordination for sponsor letters to similar group of business as previous years.	Staff to continue coordination for sponsorship donations, secure order for 6,000 eggs and event staging and planning as in previous years @ Sunnyside Memorial Park. Request assistance from Johnsburg D12 Sports Teams for additional help/aid during Egg Hunt.
	Chairman Fouke then share committee regarding anticipated planning and coordinating for Memorial Day Parade and Event to J.C.C. picnic lead by Lion's Club and donors. Advised committee he will proceed forward with liaison Mr. Perley regarding status and planning for flyover, process of special speakers and aid from Member Barrett regarding essay letters through the Johnsburg Schools for age brackets. Staff Lamontagna to coordinate and details needed to proceed forward with PED lighting banners prior to event and coordination with Sunnyside Tavern regarding Memorial from 2024.	Chairman to coordinate meeting with liaison Perley regarding Memorial Day. Chairman to coordinate and work with Johnsburg Schools and liaison Perley on Essay Letter contest for special speaker at Memorial Day event. Staff to continue with banner pricing and process for Memorial Banners on PED Lighting in Village.
Adjournment	Committee Member Thornton moved to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Barrett seconded. All Committee Members present voted aye. Motion carried 6:21p.m.	Next regular schedule meeting in March 4, 2025