Patty Turner Center
Members’ Council Minutes
June, 10, 2021

*Not present

Administration in attendance: PTC Manager, David Shamrock, Nicole Britz and Laura McCarty, Program Manager for the Deerfield Park District.

Call to Order: President Lorraine Jette called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Approval of Minutes: The May 13, 2021, minutes were approved.


President’s Report:
1. Welcome all to our eleventh Zoom meeting.

2. The PTC Parking Lot Palooza was outside in warm weather. Two bands played featuring David Shamrock singing and playing guitar with Highwood’s Roger That! band. John Maxson was featured in The North Shore Line Band. Jane Smith pointed out the addition of the girls singing/harmonizing in John’s band, and the crowd was enthusiastic. The bands were fabulous playing favorite songs. Nicole and Lorraine manned the registration desk. Guests came at their reserved time block helping with the check in process.

3. Our three outdoor May 2021 events: the Native Plant Sale, Men’s Club Antique Car Show and PTC Parking Lot Palooza were all successful. Hermin said 22 cars were featured and about 60+ spectators. Car owners spoke 3 – 5 minutes on each car history.

4. Lorraine and David Shamrock met and discussed filling future Members’ Council Openings and the formation of a Nominating Committee to replace retiring Kerry Rohan and John Sanner at the end of this year. Lorraine asked members to just start thinking about possible viable candidates to be nominated for a position on the council, and consider being on the Nominating Committee that will be finalized in September.

5. Carol Mellem worked in the PTC library incorporating two boxes of books with the books there. She worked with DPD Matt. He’ll work at PTC during the summer. Jane Smith volunteered to help clean-up the library updating and freshen up the books.

Membership Report:
1. Leo Carter tried to contact new member Karen Trifone but no answer. Welcome calls from council members were made and recorded with comments on Leo’s spreadsheet. Everyone asked to submit new ideas for new membership.

2. Hermin will greet new member Dr. Molhotra in person at PTC bingo.
3. D. Shamrock reported as of June 1, 2021, 530+ active members paid. Fourteen new members joined as of January 1. David believes the majority of members are fully COVID vaccinated. Recommend non-vaccinated members wear a mask on the honor system. Starting up several play card games at PTC and as people call in, staff is able to catch any expired memberships. FYI, see more details in the 06/10/2021, Members’ Council Meeting Agenda under Membership.

Committee Report:
J. Sanner said no bowling or bocci ball activity. There is a golf tournament Monday June 13th with lunch and prize money.

PTC Programming: Nicole Britz
The 30-day July Program Calendar is being mailed out, filled with daily virtual (ZOOM) programs and some in-person activities. The PTC Bulletin June Edition 2021, is posted on line with Virtual Programs, In-Person Programs and Social Services details. In-person activities are confined to the library right now. May try to increase space for Lake Geneva boat cruise that sold out. Planning a Cabaret event with a Frank Sinatra impersonator August 4th. The Cubs versus Brewers game is a go for September 9th. See the 6/10 Members’ Council Meeting Agenda for more PTC program and activity details.

PTC Operation Staffing Updates:
Nicole, David and Antonio continue maintaining the PTC facilities. The COVID vaccination Clinic at PTC is winding down and could possibly end June 30th. David is very upbeat about light at the end of the tunnel soon for PTC to fully open after July 4th and will increase staffing including the important front desk operation. All members verified they are vaccinated. The next council meeting will be Zoom and in person council meeting starting August. FYI see Staffing in the 06/10/2021, Members’ Council Agenda for more details.

Closing Comments:
1. Laura McCarty reported the Deerfield Park District (DPD) is one of four finalists for the 2021 National Gold Medal Awards for Excellence in Parks and Recreation Management. DPD is a finalist in the Class V for those with a population of 30,000 or less. As a finalist, DPD will showcase the community in a five-minute video that was put together. Lorraine is a spokesperson for the PTC. DPD joins three other finalists in their class that will compete for Grand Plaque which will be awarded September 21, in Nashville, TN.

2. DPD is moving into phase five COVID government guidelines five June 11. Crowd capacity is be lifted to 100%. No mask wearing indoors/outdoors for fully vaccinated, and masks and social distancing indoors and outdoors on the honor system for non-vaccinated. Children 2 – 11 wear masks indoors.

3. PTC may open doors July 1st with vague guidelines going forward.

4. David Shamrock gave a special thanks to Laura for her council input and expertise; to Nicole for her great behind the scenes work; to Lorraine for council focus, helpfulness and good spirit.

Adjournment: meeting ended at 10:00 AM

Next Members’ Council Meeting: Thursday, July 8. 2021, at 9:00 AM on Zoom.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Zelski, Members’ Council Secretary  Date: 06/15/21