

Meeting date: January 4, 2024

Members in attendance: Frank Jacobyansky, James Flynn, Tracy Peterson, Janine Brooks, Melissa Tzan, Bob Renzi, Cecilia Driscoll

Public comment: Shawn Stoots & Brooke Deason discussed use of the Yough River Park for the farmers market this summer due to the bridge closure. Dates are every other Thursday June 6 through October 3, 2024. Discussion was held as to what they should pay for use. Everyone agreed that that they should have to pay something as we charge other non-profit organizations. It was also discussed that City Hall will need to approve Chapel Hill offering tastings in the park.

Motion to charge the Chamber \$30 for renting the park Tracy 2nd Janine, motion approved.

School Board: Cecilia Driscoll was appointed as our 2nd school board rep for the upcoming year.

Treasurers report:

We raised \$51k in 2023 from fundraisers

Total raised was \$93,251

We currently have \$104k in our checking account.

We received a check for \$500 today for the Colton DeWitt softball tournament.

We have a budget for 2024 of \$40k and we have \$28k in our matching grant fund.

Unfinished Business:

Resolution to have city council approve Park Rental fee structure: motion Frank, 2nd Janine motion approved.

City Council: Not present

New Business: We have a \$500k shade tree grant to be discussed later.

Tracy brought up adding more power and lighting at Yough Park. Cecilia said she would ask someone from West Penn about a program that may be willing to add and upgrade the lighting.

We brought up the need for more volunteers. MaryAnn Bower, Jennie Becker and Josh Nicholson are interested in volunteering.

Events for 2024:

Spring Fling: March 21

Tangled up in Vines last weekend in April

Spring Cleanup April 20

Bar Golf, TBD

River Rally, May 31st – June 5

Birdhouses, TBD

Friends Day, June 23

Croquet, July 27

Tangled up in Brew Oct 5

PE in the park, TBD

Summer Sports, School district

Silent Film Festival, Sept 7

Parks Program, 1 day/ week at different parks, Aaron Zolbrod will help

Red White and Boom July 6th

McPoyle Kickball, May 25, details to come later

Member discussion, Frank stated that we didn't really have a procedure for election of officers, Tracy stated we always did prior to covid. We will discuss further at next meeting.

Motion to adjourn Tracy 2nd Janine motion carried 7:37