

Minutes for September 14, 2010 NFACA meeting

Roll Call: Lara Reibold , Shawn Donley, Rick Kerlin, Rick Zamecnik, Chloe Butts, Rick Wiesner, Jo Wiesner, Jack Haney, Tanya Allman, Elizabeth Warren, Linda Nord, Rich Nord, Mialie Szymanski

Meeting Called to Order: 12:05pm

Member information: Rollin Smokes has applied for membership. Rick Z presented the idea of Baryak Tree Service becoming a member. In exchange for membership and a sign they would remove the tree and grind out the stump that is blocking the sign. This is typically a 350.00 job. Membership is 50.00 and sign costs for initial year is 297.00 total 347.00. Motion by Rick second by Tanya – approved

Guests:

Approval of Minutes of June meeting: Motion by Jack with second by Rick Z, Approved

Correspondence – Community Foundation -the last time we sent them money they held it instead of returning it. In the 2 months they had it the 1010.00 earned 46.12 in interest.

Financial Report: Lara motion, with second by Chloe to approve as submitted. Approved

Old Business - Yard Sale –Tanya stated she had gotten a bill for the Villager ad – that was not paid yet. There was no ad authorized with them. Will hold payment until this is looked into. The sale went well and was kept under budget. Chloe introduced guests: Linda, Rich and Elizabeth. They had a committee that was prepared to take this over and release the NFACA from running this event. Motion by Chloe second by Rick K – approved

Yellow sign – current one is in violation of existing ordinance. Falls Home Remodeling is willing to pay the 100.00 fee to apply for a variance. After much discussion it was decided it was decided to have a committee formed to look into the options and costs of a permanent sign for community announcements. The committee is Rick Z, Rick K, Rick W and Jack.

Picnic – The picnic was done a little bit under budget. Everyone seemed to have a good time. Thank you Shawn and Marianne for putting this event together.

New Business: Since its start Home 44444 the Holidays has been working within the same 5000.00 budget. This is becoming more challenging because costs have gone up, businesses have closed and others have cut back on their donations. A budget has not been set for this year. The committee is asking for an increase to the budget. Rick motioned with a second by Chloe to increase the budget to 6000.00. Approved

Lara also mentioned that workers will be needed. If we do not have volunteers than it will be difficult to continue the event. Home 44444 the Holidays is December 11th. The parade and tree lighting are December 4th beginning at 530. Dave has suggested for 2 years that the parade and tree lighting be removed from the Home 44444 the Holidays budget. They are a separate day and event. He has donated the lights for the first 2 years but is out of his supply. There are always going to be bulbs and ornaments to replace. Suggested the NFACA set a 500.00 budget for this event. The community has really loved having this and it brings people to Newton Falls. The businesses have the opportunity to be open and offer sales, refreshments and a place to warm up to the public. Motion by Chloe second by Rick W to set a 500.00 budget for this event. Approved.

October is 2011 officer elections. A nominating committee is needed. Rick K agreed to head this. Lara said she would help him. Names need to be submitted by October 1st.

City Manager Handout –River Street project is almost finished. The city has applied for a grant for resurfacing and storm water work to be performed on First Street from Main Street to the previously repaired section. The recycling bins at the Community Center will be removed soon. The residents have curb side recycling. There are also bins at the Township building. The Chili cook-off is October 2nd. Trick or Treat will be Thursday October 28th from 5 to 6:30pm and the Kiwanis Cake Walk will follow at 7pm downtown. City council has hired Attorney Joe Fritz as the new Law Director. Make a difference day will be October 23rd. The project will be to clean up the riverbank by the falls in Veterans Park. The gazebo at Veterans Park has a new roof. Falls Home Remodeling and Banner Supply donated the materials and labor to fix the roof of the gazebo in Veterans Park. Jack motioned and Chloe seconded that a proclamation be given. Approved

Communications –There is a RENEWAL LEVY on the ballot in November – this is not a new tax. If it does not pass there will have to be cuts and this will ultimately affect businesses.

Next meeting is October 12 at the Roby Lees at noon

Adjournment at 12:58 pm motion by Rick Z