TOWN OF LAKE HAMILTON PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024 10:00 AM

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board held a Board meeting on Thursday March 21, 2024, at 100 Smith Ave., Lake Hamilton, FL 33851.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Ellen Kehoe called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS BY THE CLERK

Joy Sutkus, Ellen Kehoe and Deanne Kyle were present. Leslie Landon & Tammy Pence were absent. Town Clerk Borja and Public Works Director Henry were present.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED BY THE BOARD:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Sutkus and a second by Kyle to approve the 1-24-2024 meeting minutes. No public comments were received. **Motion passed 3-0.**

LAKE HAMILTON CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION CONTINUED DISCUSSION

There was a continued discussion regarding the Lake Hamilton Centennial Celebration commencing in November of 2024. The following events were recommended:

It was decided to do one event each month starting in November of 2024 and ending in June 2025.

November: The board recommended making a proclamation for the 100 years and having the council dress all in black at the meeting. It recommended to contact PGTV to see about their support of documenting the 100-year anniversary of Lake Hamilton and the Proclamation. The board would like to have the event on November 9th, 2024.

December: The board recommended making a large bonfire and having an ugly sweater contest and caroling addition to the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

January: A float for the MLK Jr. Parade.

February: Fishing Tournament.

March: A comedy show on March 21st. It was recommended to hire a comedian and charge for Minutes prepared by Town Clerk Jacqueline Borja

admission to the show and have food vendors present with cost for spaces to help cover the event cost. It was recommended to hold it in the ballfield and cover charge could be collected at the gate. It was mentioned a stage would be necessary and could ask to rent it from the County.

April: There was discussion regarding a photo contest with citrus event on April 11th.

May: A carnival was discussed for the month of May.

June: An art and photo contest of historical homes and buildings was discussed for the month of June. Homes/Buildings must be 100 years old. Paintings would happen that same day, pictures to be submitted by a time indicated for entering. There was discussion regarding a prize for each winner and recommended letting their artwork be displayed at the Town Hall for the winners.

July: Independence Day fireworks.

The Board makes recommendations to be presented to the Council. **Motion made** by Kyle and second by Sutkus. **Motioned passed 3-0**

LAKE HAMILTON JULY 2ND INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENT DISCUSSION

The board discussed how they would like to avoid duplication of Food truck and vendors for the exception beverage vendors. The board also noted they would like to reach out to the vendors who participated in the MLK event this year to be part of the July 2nd Independence Day event. The board would like craft vendors for activities like corn for families to participate in. Since last year's event was extremely hot, the board said they would like to add tents with outdoor ac cooling areas and tables with chairs. The board would also like the signage to be posted 2 weeks in advance and there be signs at the event's entrance.

The board would like to make a recommendation to start the food vendors process as soon as possible, craft vendors, corn in the hole family activists and provide tents with cooling stations.

The Board makes recommendations to be presented to the Council. **Motion made** by Sutkus and second by Kyle. **Motioned passed 3-0**

LAKE HAMILTON EASTER EGG HUNT EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

This Saturday 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt vacant lawn by woman's club 8:30 to 10:00 pancakes at woman club

ADJOURNMENT:

Minutes prepared by Town Clerk Jacqueline Borja

Motion made by Sutkus and a second by Kyle to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 AM. No discussion. **Motion Passed 3-0.**

ATTEST:

Ellen Kehoe, Board Chair

Jacqueline Borja, Town Clerk

Patrick Henry, Public Works Director

Mike Teague, Town Administer Interim