

Fourth of July Commission Minutes
Meeting February 27, 2008

Present: Nancy Bertsch, Carol Nowak, John Burke, Pat Palechek, Nancy Perkins, Katie Schober/Youth Advisory Board, Anida Rose, Cheryl Schober, Mark Schroeder, Ald. Dave Ament
Excused: Joan Campione

--Meeting called to order at 7:40pm by Anida Rose

--**Minutes** – Mark Schroeder moved to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2008, commission meeting. Nancy Bertsch seconded. Passed.

--**Staff Reports** – Tanya is working on the family games. Mark also reported that 2009 will be the city's 50th anniversary.

--**CFC Report** – no one attended the meeting due to snow

--**Budget, Fund Raising and Sponsorships** – Mark is working on the grant application. Anida updated the commission on the budget.

--**Public Relations** – no report

--**Signs** – no report

--**July 2** – WI Singers contract has been signed and mailed back.

--High School Battle of the Bands – Katie reported they have been in contact with a couple of bands and 1 has committed. The 'Battle' will be in the west tent. Whoever does the announcing during the event needs to include thanks for each sponsor. Cheryl will call Cascio re: drum set. Nancy Bertsch moved the prize money donated by the commission be the same as in 2007: 1st \$200, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100, 4th \$75 and 5th \$50 for a total of \$575. Nancy Perkins seconded. Passed.

--**Fireworks** – Mark spoke with Jon at Schoeneck Containers re: fireworks. They discussed the commissions concerns. Bartollatta will give a couple of proposals and Mark will meet with Jon to discuss them.

--**Children's Entertainment** – Mini Parade – Magic Morgan will be there and on the grounds after the parade. Pat Palechek moved to approve a contract with Magic Morgan for \$475 for both appearances. Nancy Perkins seconded. Passed.

-- Magicians and/or jugglers – Pat will report in March.

--**Games/Amusements** – Cheryl passed out copies of the Idea List she included with the letters and forms.

--**Carnival** – Mark spoke with Chip. At this point the carnival will probably not be back in 2008. Mark will talk to Chip again. The commission will also look into a replacement.

--**Concessions** – Anida reported on the major concession meeting.

--**Entertainment** – Pie Judging – Nancy Perkins spoke with Jackie Hermann/VFW Auxiliary and they are set to help sell the pie pieces. Nancy also attended the New Berlin Garden Club's meeting at the Library and will talk with them again on March 10.

--Main Stage – Mark needs the contract from Roadogz. All other contracts have been signed. The commission will decide about the east tent stage at the March meeting.

--Specials – Carol has been contacted by Richard Baker, aka Rad Rich, who has a traveling BMX bicycle museum he would like to bring to the festival. It is 30 feet long. We will get him a form for the grounds. Cheryl will contact RIDE about a BMX demonstration on 7/2.

--**Main Parade** – Mark hasn't heard from the bands he sent letters to.

--**Grounds, parking and facilities** – Tents – Mark reported on the bid letters. Area Rental \$7,520, Karl's Rental \$9,773, and AAA \$10,153. John Burke moved to approve the contract with Karls Rental for \$9,773. Nancy Bertsch seconded. Passed.

--Port-A-John had some questions that Cheryl will call them about.

--**Adjournment** at 10pm.

Submitted by
Cheryl Schober
7/4 Coordinator

The next Commission meeting will be on Wednesday, March 26, with Major Concessions meeting at 6:30pm and the Commission meeting at 7:30pm.