

**Wauwatosa Civic Celebration Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, January 23, 2009**

**1. Attendance**

**Present:** Rick Beattie, Amy Barron (arrived later), Cheryl Berdan, Mary Foley, Dan Lofy, , Gay Leigh Mundy, Bobby Pantuso, Judy Randall, Jamie Swisher, Mary Sylvester, Sherryl Wedel, Jeff Farina

**Excused:** Bill Berdan, Jeni Berdan and Wendy Venske

**2. Minutes**

Gay Leigh Mundy moved to approve minutes from October meeting, Judy Randall seconded. Minutes were approved

**3. New Business (More new business below)**

Sherryl Wedel began discussion that all members of the commission hold a position. Discussion then began about how the positions are filled. Pantuso questioned why this was suddenly an issue. Mundy commented that there should be shadowing/redundancy so that someone is always training and there is back up. The commission came up with the following resolution:

*As we are a working committee, all members are expected to accept an active role in the commission to complete our duties to the City of Wauwatosa*

Motion was made and seconded to approve the resolution, motion carried unanimously.

**3. Old Business**

A. Grand Marshall

Pantuso conceded that perhaps the Olympians that were considered are just too busy to commit. It was decided that Hank Ramonds be formally approached, Kevin will ask him.

B. Citizen of the Year

Citizen of the year nomination forms are now available to be submitted

C. Sarafino Square

We are going to make every effort to communicate early and often so the residents are fully aware of the parade. A flyer will be distributed to all residents.

**4. New Business**

A. February Meeting

It was decided that the February meeting would be cancelled and we would meet in March.

B. Fireworks Location

Amy Berdan presented information about where the fireworks will be launched due to the safety limits of the fire department and the new band shell at Hart Park. Sherryl Wedel has had some discussion with Bill Kappel who indicated that we would be able to use it this year but that the landscaping and grading will not be complete this summer. Because of the safety limitations only a portion of the band shell area will be available in the evening but all of it would be available for the afternoon. There was much discussion about relocating the evening program to Wauwatosa West and there will be more discussions with the Rec Department. We will revisit this issue in March.

**5. 2009 Assignments**

Dan Lofy explained that the Kelments Racing Sausages are already booked. They are available first come, first served. We will try again for 2010.

A. Memorial Day - Bill Berdan –Not present, No report.

B. Parade - Cheryl Berdan – Packets ready and going out

C. Afternoon Program – Tosa Rec department will be overseeing this

D. Evening Program – Put off till March meeting

E. Committee Assignments:

a. Flyers/PR/Ads - Brit & Jamie Swisher – There will be a “blurb” seeking new committee members in Tosa Now and City Newsletter

b. New Units - Bobby Pantuso – Highlander Bagpipers interested, following up in March with some bands that were contacted last fall with some bands that were contacted last fall

c. TV - Judy Randall – No Report

- d. Fireworks - Bob Brunow – Working with Amy on this
- e. Flags - Dan Lofy - No flags needed
- f. Fundraising - Judy Randall – Received \$10,000 from Froedtert-Medical College
- g. Judging/Awards - Mary Foley – Not working on yet
- h. Permits, Radios, Port-O-Johns - Bob Brunow- Taken care of, if at West will need to talk to West Booster club.
- i. Golf Carts - Mary Sylvester-No report
- j. Volunteers - Wendy Venske- Will start in late March
- k. Mayfair Contacts - Sherryl Wedel, too early to do
- l. Signage - Mary Sylvester, She is on top of this
- m. Cars - Dan Lofy, too early
- n. Contacts with Officials - Cheryl Berdan, on top of it.
- o. Flyover??/Floats - Jeni Berdan, will work on after St. Patrick's Day
- p. Traffic Control – No report

**6. Adjournment**

MOTION: Dan Lofy made motion and Mary Sylvester seconded and the meeting was adjourned at

8:22.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Pantuso