

CommUnity Team

November 1, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m.

City Hall- 2nd floor conference room

Members Present: Bobbie Erdmann, Berlin Area Historical Society; Ron Harke, Berlin Boat Club; Lindsey Kemnitz, Berlin Community Development Director; Laura Fultz; Berlin Public Library Director; Dick Schramer, Berlin Mayor; Dr. Eidahl, Berlin School District; Ken Schmidt, HomeTown Broadcasting; Krista Sobieski, Berlin Journal; Karen Neumen, Berlin Senior Center & Park & Rec program; Sue Trampf, ABC Group & Lions.

Kemnitz called the meeting to order at 8:06 am. Bobbie noted a couple of corrections that needed to be made for the minutes. Bobbie move to approve the minutes as corrected from October 3rd. Seconded by Sue and was carried by a voice vote.

Events:

Sue Trampf stated the ABC Group is having lighting of the park on November 16th at 5:30pm. 102 trees were cut and 1/3 of them are sold already. Clydesdale's and Santa will be at the park at 4pm until 5:45pm.

Lions Club is working on their Legacy Project and will be selling boxes of cheese and coupon books soon.

Reports:

The Chamber is partnering with Rivershores Church for an open house for the new location of the food pantry on November 2nd at 5 to 7pm. Registration forms for the parade can be picked up from the office.

The BCDC did not have anything new to report on.

Mayor Schramer stated that the Council approved a resolution for \$400,000 shortfall for any commercial development at the previous Juliet Manor site that creates about a 4 million dollar increment. The hotel study is going to get updated soon. The seawall is completed and should be less than expected.

Dr. Eidhal stated November 9th, 10th, and 11th is the school musical the Fiddler on the Roof. Winter sports will be starting up soon. Veterans Day program will be the Friday prior to Veterans Day.

The Historical Society moved their Ghost Walk to Sunday due to weather, which resulted in a lower turnout. Last Friday the 2017 nominees were honored for the Inspiration Wall. The three honorees were Dr. Stephanie Seaman, Phil Sass, and Judge Mike McMonigal.

Recently the Historic Society was contacted about a family member wanted to tour a home that their family built around 1847. The home was located by Park Avenue and was able to set up a tour of the home when they were in Berlin. Bobbie stated that things are winding down and will be starting up again in January.

From local media Krista stated that Berlin Journal is finalized their calendar of events for the Fun on the Fox and Discover US. Also Season Greetings will be coming out so if you have any ideas for featured articles let her know. Ken mentioned

that Green Bay Packer games are on 102.3 and Badger games are on AM1600. They currently have specials for deer hunting and thanksgiving. The end of November basketball will be starting.

Kemnitz mentioned the TREDC is having their annual summit tomorrow from 8am to 1:30pm, breakfast and lunch will be provided. It is at Camp LU WI SO MO in Wild Rose and will be a cost of \$30.

Ron Harke stated that the Fox River Heritage Parkways is working well with the Valley area with many redevelopments along the river.

Berlin Boat Club is wrapping things up for the year by getting things stored inside.

Karen reported that for Park and Recreation department that the indoor pool is open, but closed on Saturday's due to the limited amount of lifeguards.

Karen stated that on November 16th the Thanksgiving lunch will be at the Senior Center. December 12th at 2pm is the Christmas Tea. New trips will be ready at the Thanksgiving meal.

Laura mentioned that the library participated in the Trunk or Treat at the Boys and Girls Club and felt it was very successful event. November 13th Ladybug will be presenting a decorating class. The 16th Jerry Apps will be at 1pm. Also on the 16th free hot apple cider and a bake sale will be at the library for the parade. The 18th there will be a paint night at La Brasas's, \$25 for members of friends of the park or \$30 for nonmembers.

Sue stated the ABC Group is offering 15 foot trees to businesses to decorate at their property. Violet and Company took one and Lindy's carwash will be putting one on top of the carwash. This year the park will have music 24/7 and they are looking for old radios to put throughout the park. Porta potty will be in the park this year for the lighting and is unsure for how long. Harry is making two 13 foot soldiers by the gazebo. Vicki's lunch wagon will be there with \$1 hotdogs, hot cider, and hot chocolate.

For the Lions Club Sue stated their Legacy project is putting up trees for memorial for vet's and any other service members and shade trees at the locks. In November preorder cheese boxed \$20 for 4lbs of cheese or mix of cheese and sausage for \$20. Beginning of December coupon books will be for sale for \$15.

No reports were available at this time for ThedaCare, Real Estate, Banking, UWEX, Downtown Businesses, GLCVB, Boys & Girls Club, and Kiwanis.

There was no old business.

Under new business Ribbon Cutting will be on November 13th at 4:30pm at Roberts Physical Therapy at 191 Broadway.

Next meeting date is December 6th.

Motion was made by Dr. Eidhal to adjourn the meeting at 8:50am and seconded by Laura, which carried by voice a vote.

Lindsey Kemnitz, City of Berlin