

CommUnity Team
February 7th, 2018
Time: 8:00 a.m.
City Hall- 2nd floor conference room

Members Present: Ron Harke, Berlin Boat Club; Lindsey Kemnitz, Berlin Community Development Director; Dick Schramer, Berlin Mayor; Dr. Eidahl, Berlin School District; Ken Schmidt, HomeTown Broadcasting; Krista Sobieski, Berlin Journal; Sue Trampf, ABC Group & Lions; Harry Kwidzinski, ABC Group; Chris Kalupa, Library Director; and Kristina Boeck, Downtown Business

Kemnitz called the meeting to order at 8:04 am. Kristina Boeck made a motion to approve the minutes from January 3rd, 2018. Sue Trampf seconded the motion, which was carried by a voice vote.

Events 2018:

Boys and Girls Club Wearin & Sharin event is on March 17th at the Heidel House.

Taste of Berlin is at City Inn at 5:30pm on March 1st.

Lions Club, Mother's Day weekend selling dozen of roses.

ABC Group is having 4th of July celebration on July 3rd at Riverside Park

Reports:

Kemnitz had an update from the Chamber. Tickets for Taste of Berlin are online only. If you need assistants on ordering, you can stop by the office and get help. End of the Year wrap up is on Thursday February 22nd at Bellissimo. Taste of Berlin is looking for volunteers to help set up, raffles, and cleaning up.

The BCDC did not have anything new to report on.

Kemnitz stated the City should have the finalized hotel study soon, the study still shows a need for a hotel in Berlin. Once the City has the finalized study, we will be working with developers. The 5th ward will be having a couple of street and utility projects. The water department is going to month billing starting in July.

Dr. Eidhal mentioned that the winter activities are wrapping up such as wrestling and basketball. Next school year they will start on September 4th with the weekend, which then will push graduation to June 2nd rather than Memorial Day.

GLCVB is reviewing the contract they had with Treehouse Creative as there are some concerns if they fulfilled it. Green Lake Chamber pulled out of GLCVB.

The historical society is having the ghost walk on October 13th. They may also be having a display area with the school play on February 23rd and 24th.

From local media Krista stated that the guides should be out very soon. She is also looking to do featured articles about organizations within the community.

Ken stated the radio is having local high school sports and Milwaukee Brewers start in mid-March.

Harke mentioned that the Fox Wisconsin Heritage Parkway is working on getting a new boat for 2018 season.

Harke stated the new officers were elected. August 10th and 11th is the corn roast for 2018. February 24th is Commanders Ball at Jeff's.

Harry mentioned that the Friends of the Park group is looking for volunteers to help for spring of 2018. Jean Dreske will be the contact for information.

Chris said three new staff members will be coming on board soon. The Children's area is having additions and changes occurring. March 12-17th is quilt week. Chris wanted people to be aware of the meeting room that nonprofits can rent for free, \$25 for 4 hours, or all day for \$50.

Sue stated the ABC Group is having the 4th of July event on Tuesday July 3rd. Farmers market will be in the park and have Billy Shears band booked.

Kristina stated the vintage hop shop is March 2nd and 3rd; Saving Grace, Dandelion Farm and Chicken Scratch are all participating in it. There is a new owner for 195 & 197 Broadway and is renovating the building.

Sue mentioned the Lions Club is working on their legacy project, but still looking for place to plant the trees.

No reports were available at this time for ThedaCare, Real Estate, Banking, UWEX, Senior Center, TREDC, and Kiwanis.

There was no new or old business.

Next meeting date is March 7th.

Motion was made by Dr. Eidahl to adjourn the meeting at 9:20am and seconded by Harry, which carried by voice a vote.

Lindsey Kemnitz, City of Berlin