

CommUnity Team

July 6th 2022

City Hall – Council Chambers

Members Present: Bobbie Erdmann- City of Berlin; Sue Trampf- ABC Group and Lions; David Stone- Edward Jones; Rebecca Bays- City of Berlin; Luke Dretske- City of Berlin; Ashley Bartol- Boys and Girls Club; Angie Evans- Boys and Girls Club; Tim Ludolph- City of Berlin

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 a.m. by Tim Ludolph. Bobbie Erdmann made a motion to approve the June 1st minutes. Rebecca Bays seconded the motion, which was carried by a voice vote.

Reports:

Sue Trampf reported the ABC Group's July 3rd celebration was a massive success. There was a record turnout and the group sold out of everything. The Concerts had unprecedented attendance with the parking lot being full by 11:00 A.M. There was full programming from 1 P.M. through 11:30 P.M. and the volunteers were excellent making this year's event especially rewarding. The supplies and record crowds presented challenges though everybody persevered, wisely setting up the day before and cleaning up on Monday.

Coming up is the July 23rd Brat Fry at Crossroads Market in Green Lake 11:00 A.M through 2:00 P.M. The group is already shifting gears to execute the Storybrook Christmas and wanted to let the community know the banner has been drafted, so mark your calendars.

There was nobody present to provide an update for Advocap and Banks.

David Stone introduced himself as the community representative for Edward Jones and discussed the current financial environment; pertaining to Berlin and the United States as a whole.

Timothy Ludolph reported that Berlin Community Development Corporation is

There was no update for the Berlin Boat Club: below is the calendar.

2022 Club Calendar

The 2022 Berlin Boat Club Calendar

(as of January 2022, the calendar is tentative and subject to change)

August 6 – SandBar Bash – Lake Poygan TBD

August 12 & 13 – 2022 Corn Roast – Annual Fundraiser (Lock will be open Friday Aug 12)

August 20 – Race the Fox – Fox Valley Paddlers

September 10 – 12 – Last weekend for Lock operation seasonal shut down

September 17 – 18 – Finalize Lock clean-up

November Community Holiday Parade – Theme is “Storybook Christmas”

Thanks

Ron Harke

Bobbie Erdman shared for anyone not already aware, the School District had selected Dr. Emmett Durtschi as Superintendent. Durtschi served as the assistant superintendent of student services in the Verona Area School District, where he oversaw special education, pupil services, social-emotional wellness, district enrollment, and early learning.

Ashley Bartol gave the update for the Boys and Girls club that the Ripon Pilot site has been a success and the organization is working on developing the location. Some new programming will be Teen oriented Workforce: Auto shop and Trades Immersion. Upcoming Fundraisers include Club Fore a Cause on September 10th at Royal Ridges Country Club in Ripon. They will put on Operation Backpack, collaborating with Green Lake County, to help provide school supplies to 500 children in the Tri-County Area this August. There

Bobbie Erdman reported the City continues to troubleshoot the Zoom meetings and had also discussed a potential Solar Program with Alliant Energy for the North Business Park, City Insurance, 5310 Taxi Grant, and DOT Resurfacing of the Main Streets with a tentative date of 2029.

Tim Ludolph reported there will be a business welcome for Edward Jones and confirmed with David Stone this would be scheduled for August 21st, for their one year anniversary at the location (232 Broadway St). Advantage Insurance Solutions has been delayed but has been altering the space at 134 W Huron St (Formerly Donna's Discount Resale) to have a local agent office. Bobbie Erdman inquired about the Airport Director's work at the Union Hall, Tim Ludolph answered there are three businesses in the works though no grand opening date as of yet. There also may be something in the works at the former Nigbor Fur Building. Vacant storefronts also were informally discussed.

Tim Ludolph updated regarding GLCVB the current initiative is to utilize social media mediums to promote tourism in area communities. As of the last month, there has been some promotion of Berlin with a large quantity of views. Anyone who wants to have their business or event promoted by them should contact tludolph@cityofberlin.wi.gov.

The Historic Society had nobody present to update. The monthly meeting is at the library's upstairs meeting room the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.. The group requested an update regarding the Ghost Tour committee.

Somebody updated the Kiwanis was to have the Pig Roast Drive Thru the following weekend and staffed the concession stand for softball and baseball. This was kept as a drive thru to facilitate people visiting the Truck and Tractor Pull. The Rotary hosted Flags for Heroes from June 27th through July 11th.

The group discussed the Library updates are typically on their webpage in full <https://www.berlinlibrary.org/newsletter>.

Sue Trampf reported the Lion's Club's food stand sold out and was busy the entirety of the previous week's Farmers and Artists Market. The Assistive Technology Fair at the

Senior Center is scheduled for October 4th. The Club is working on vendors and speakers and also producing posters and flyers for the Fair. They are also planning the Cheese Box Sale and still contemplating adjustment of the supplier.

Local Media- There was no-one present to report.

Rebecca Bays, on behalf of Parks and Recreation, reported the Campground has been in full swing for bookings and staff member Andrew been key to that. The shelter reservations have been close to booked. The Session Two classes went well and Session 1 also full of hope and life. The Softball Diamonds are up for strategic planning. As much of the community already knows, the south shelter house has had recurring vandalism and it is asked that any foul play be reported to the police.

For the Senior Center, Rebecca Bays reported Bobbie Erdmann would be conducting a stationary tour of the Nathan Strong Historic District at the park for the Senior Center. The birthday meal on the 5th was well attended and Baked prepared a delicious cake. There are carry out meals available and the center is slowly building up the Green Lake County program. The Technology Classes would be held July 12th for Apple users at 9 A.M. and Android users at 10 A.M. with Q&A at 11 A.M. by Brian at Options Independent Living. They are working on a grand app to get a new accessible Van in the year 2023 pending approval, including from council in July. There will be a voicing education information session with more information to be coming. Also, a class for Falling Hazards, a Door County Day Trip the following week and Grease at the Fireside Dinner Theater.

Theda Care- There was no-one present to report.

Veteran Groups- It was discussed there is the Brat Fry every week on Wednesday, still keeping 2021 prices.

For New Business Luke Dretske provided an update on the County Board business including the ARPA programming, Broadband access, and the Search for a new County Administrator. The county is still looking for stakeholder input on spending a portion of ARPA funds.

Next meeting will be August 3rd at 8 AM..

A motion to adjourn was made by Bobbie Erdmann and seconded by Sue Trampf. The motion carried by an affirmative voice vote at 9:19 A.M..

Tim Ludolph