## **CommUnity Team**

September 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 Riverside Park

<u>Members Present:</u> Bobbie Erdmann- City of Berlin; Sue Trampf- ABC Group and Lions; Emmett Durtschi- Berlin Area School District, Barry Abbott- Downtown Property Owner and Berlin Boat Club, David Stone- Edward Jones

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 a.m. by Tim Ludolph. Bobbie Erdmann made a motion to approve the July 6<sup>th</sup> minutes. David Stone seconded the motion, which was carried by a voice vote.

## Reports:

Sue Trampf reported the ABC Group's is in the thick of planning for the Holiday Parade after a meeting Monday August 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 P.M. As many already know, the theme will be Storybook Christmas and they are voting in the Grand Marshall, getting press releases prepared and communication out to have every participant know to line up at 5 P.M. They are also planning the proceeding Light the Park event and grappling with lower supplies of trees than past years. That event would start 4 P.M. There is some residual clean up from July 3<sup>rd</sup> and the hope is attendance of holiday events continues to match or surpass last year. They are still in conversation with the schools, musicians and bands for the November 17<sup>th</sup> event with posters coming soon.

Advocap did not have anyone attending though in emails it can be said they are tirelessly facing homeless/housing issues in the community and will probably have some proposals coming soon.

David Stone reported an update on the Economy and Market outlook, specifically the signaling of Interest Rates by the Federal Reserve.

Timothy Ludolph reported that Berlin Community Development Corporation (BCDC) is actively entertaining some possible Revolving Loan Fund inquiries.

Berlin Conservation Club- There was no-one present to report.

Ron Harke was not present to report.

Below is the 2022 Club Calendar The 2022 Berlin Boat Club Calendar

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

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

Dr. Emmett Durtschi, the Berlin Area School District Superintendent, reported the School District was in the process of the fall semester with . Events to look forward to are Homecoming on the  $30^{\rm th}$  of September. The Board are reviewing facilities and going through the process of capital planning. Clay Lamberton has been identified as a location with potential need of updating.

On a lighter note Dr. Durtschi has officially moved to a residence in Berlin.

Dr Durtschi also reported he is aware the Boys and Girls Club has been enduring many of the same challenges as the School District. This organization is recognized as a continuing partner with the School District to improve the academic outcomes and Quality of Life of Berlin Families.

Bobbie Erdman reported the City had been wrapping up the passing of the ATV ordinance, slated to be discussed Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup>. The group discussed the ramifications for school policies.

Also, an update for Paisanos Mexican Grill and other hopeful businesses could be forthcoming.

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 <a href="mailto:tludolph@cityofberln.wi.gov">tludolph@cityofberln.wi.gov</a>.

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. Bobbie Erdmann added the 2022 Honorees Inspiration wall would have four individuals added.

Kiwanis- There was no-one present to report.

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 activities were starting to pick up. Vision Screening is planned at All Saints in tandem with their groundbreaking. The Assistive Technology Fair at the Grace Lutheran is scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>. The Club is working on vendors and speakers and also producing posters and flyers for the Fair. The posters were put up on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

For Fundraising, the club is putting together the annual coupon book. They are also planning the Cheese Box Sale, still a work in progress.

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

Rebecca Bays was not present to update on the Parks and Recreation or Senior Center.

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

Others- Sue Trampf added the UW Oshkosh new band Titan Thunder was set to perform soon.

Veteran Groups- The Brat Fry was winding down with the last day of September, the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Similar to Cinco De Mayo, a Taco Fest was scheduled for September 16<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup> at the North Shelter House.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rebecca Bays and seconded by Luke Dretske. The motion carried by an affirmative voice vote at 9:36 A.M.

The Next Meeting will be at Riverside Coffee on Wednesday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 8 A.M.

-Respectively Tim Ludolph