



**City of Belle Isle
Special Events Committee
October 18, 2023
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 6:12 p.m. and quorum confirmed.

Attendees: Holly Bobrowski, Kathy McCoy, John Trembley, Doug DeYoung, Lynne Voltaggio, and guest Carrie Hendry, St. Mary's of the Angels Church

Unfinished Business

- **Light the Way Updates Reviewed**
- **Shirt Updates:** Each committee member will receive a red and a blue shirt. The shirts will include "Special Events Committee" text. The City of Belle Isle logo will not be included on the shirts.
- **Santa Ride Updates:** Volunteers will be needed to assist with traffic; Stuffed animals will be wrapped in cellophane bags for distribution to the children. December 12 and 14 are dates selected for Santa rides.
- **Sponsorship and Donations:** Committee members will begin active solicitation of gift cards and funds as well as silent auction items.
- **Silent auction is scheduled for December 6.**
- **The 100th Anniversary "Book" was discussed.** Price quoted was very expensive, so other resources are being identified.
- **Trees:** Doug DeYoung has identified types of trees used for planting in Regal Park as part of the Centennial Celebration and Arbor Day event.

New Business

- **Schedule of Events for 2024 discussed.** Centennial Celebration has been identified as October 19, 2024. No final response was received from the City of Edgewood regarding the date, so the committee chose October 19 as the final date.
- **Committee Opening:** Maggie Burdette has resigned from the Special Events Committee and **Kyle Sue VanVelzen** will replace her on the committee.
- **Golf Cart/Bicycle Parade Updates:**
 - Viewing area to be determined.
 - Volunteer assistance will be needed for traffic control.
 - 30 signs needed at a cost of \$218.
 - Cornerstone students in the Service Learning Club will help.
 - Discussion regarding the movie equipment and potential costs explored. Holly will check on a free screen. No royalties needed if movie is shown on private property (Cornerstone).

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- **Volunteer Assistance** - Carrie Hendry offered the assistance of St. Mary's of the Angels church members with traffic control, oversight of silent auction and baked goods auction.
- **Holiday Baking Contest:** Mannix Vanilla has volunteered to assist with baked goods and selection of "best baked goods".
- Ice skating, balloon artists, snow slide will be included in the event. Holly will request the stage from Orange County. Jesse will provide audio equipment.
- **Vendors:** Four beer vendors could be identified for the Centennial Celebration.
- **Facebook page** Craig Huff has maintained will be renamed "Celebrate Belle Isle".

John Trembley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and Doug DeYoung seconded the motion.

Next meeting: November 15, 2023.