Cumming Hometown Pride Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm

# This meeting of the City of Cumming Hometown Pride Committee, on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 will be held electronically. Pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 21.4 and 21.8 this meeting will be held by electronic means for participants due to the spread of COVID-19 which make it impossible or impractical to attend. Attendees can access the meeting via Zoom with Meeting ID: 823 4194 3499 and Passcode: 171210

1. Roll call – Shaunda, Pat, Angie C., Angie R., Lorin, Renee
2. Approval of agenda – Pat motioned for approval and Renee seconded
3. Approval of 10/4/21 meeting minutes – Renee motioned for approval and Pat seconded
4. Old Business
5. Light pole metal banners – City council approved Hilde’s 7 banner designs

Next steps: select pole locations, get approval from MidAmerican Energy, send pole designs to metal work company, continue marketing, find installer

* Shaunda took all 7 designs to City Council and all were approved.
* City Council wants to add more outlets on poles for Christmas lights. There are 16 Christmas decorations and each have 2 brackets. Decided poles for Christmas lights and poles with transformers cannot have the metal banners. Pat and Renee volunteered to look over poles and give a report on what poles are “clean”.
* Angie R. provided a map of the utility poles that have poles highlighted that have brackets and electric.
* 16.5” above ground min. for banner placement on poles.
* Lorin said Hartford is doing a pole banner project as well and she suggested we look into if Cumming has liability insurance that will cover any injury from these banners.
* Lorin & Hilde will confirm with the banner manufacturer they can make these metal signs as designed.
* Lorin wants us to check to see if we can put banners on same poles as Christmas lights.
* Renee to check with HyVee to see if they are indeed going to purchase a banner.

1. Recap from HTP joint meeting – Shaunda/Lorin

* Lorin reported there are 7 HTP committees in Warren county with 114 projects in 4 years and ~$350,000 donations raised.

1. Recap from Ragbrai fall ride – Angie R. reported this ride will be an annual event for Cumming. She also said over $600 of merchandise was sold at the event.
2. New Business
3. Nominations for 2022 officers – secretary & chairperson

* We need a new chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary for 2022. No volunteers from this meeting – we will need to elect these at December meeting.

1. Yard of the Month – submit nominations by Dec 6, select winner via email, need to get signs from city hall closet – No award for October as there were no nominations. Email Shaunda any nominations for voting.
2. Welcome Bags – Shaunda finished bags & will take back to city hall closet. – A flyer for Fridays at the Farm for 2022 will be added to the packet when available next spring.

New residents –

Savannah Moser (Nov) 3324 N Fernwood - Shaunda delivered bag, house being gutted/remodeled and owners will be moving in in Jan.

New Resident – Will deliver next year – 407 N. 36th St.

Utility pole Christmas decorations update – Shaunda

* Bob Perkins and his wife used Baker Electric boom truck and volunteered their time to put up the lights. They also put lights on the American Legion tree with Hohn at Parks & Rec. $500 to rent the truck – Baker Electric using these funds to sponsor a family at Orchard Place for Christmas.

1. Other business

* Renee wanted to thank whoever replaced the Prairie Shores sign.

1. Adjourn

Next meeting – December 15, 2021 – Meeting to be held at Absolute Repair, 347 N 44th St, Cumming, IA 50061

Submitted by Craig Olson