

Blossburg Visions in Business & Entertainment Minutes of the Monthly Meeting January 24, 2018

Location: Borough Council Room

Administration

• Minutes – October minutes approved.

• Treasurer's Report: General Checking: \$3410.38, United Fund: \$1662.57.

Projects

- Island Park 150 Joe Bubacz presented the topic of an Island Park 150 race which would be hosted on the Island Park, approximately 1.53 mile course, targeting around 100 runners. The race would be 150 minutes long and would be just revolutions (how many laps can you complete in 150 minutes), there would be no "last man standing" option initially, but may consider a "Virtual" option. Joe would take lead on organizing the event and would use V.I.B.E. volunteers to help out. Profit would be split between V.I.B.E. and the V-Foundation. V.I.B.E. members voted in favor of associating with the race.
- Coal Festival Dave Jr. and Annette Thompson presented on the upcoming Coal Festival. They will be focusing on local vendors, food, and Inflatables instead of the Carnival this year. They just returned from an Inflatables conferences and were amazed by the variety and selection. They will have their next meeting Feb. 5, 6 pm at Momma's Restaurant. The Committee would like V.I.B.E. input and help on how to involve the community as a whole and especially the downtown district. Ideas:
 - O Involve businesses Get the businesses to do specials, giveaways, a downtown day (something like Shop SmallTown event). Get pins to businesses, Coal Cart Race, Duck Race. The festival needs vendors for games. Wrestling is planning on having a 5k.
- 2018 Event Dates
 - o Fall Festival October 14th
 - o SmallTown November 24th Wendy picked up Christmas themed water bottles from Walmart for this year's Santa gift.
 - o Community Yard Sale April 28th, pending coordination with the Borough/Spring Cleanup.
 - o Island Park 150 Race Dec. 8th Pending research into dates
 - o Light up the Holidays Skipped 2017, need better focus for 2018 season.
- Community Garden Josh to make Numbers for the boxes. We need to do a general cleanout, and we need new benches.
- Band Stand We're looking at ideas for different styles. The idea is to keep it simple, achievable.
- Volunteer Meeting We'd like to get a meeting together promoting all of the different volunteer organizations and give them a chance to connect with potential volunteers. Possible March timeframe.
- Communication We need to meet separately and talk about our communication channels for getting information and putting information out. Meet Jan. 28, 12 pm at 242 Coffee Co.
- Fall Festival Made a net profit of \$59.08 after expenses. In 2018, we'll drop the Cornhole tournament.

News & Views: Deadline 5 pm, Saturdays – news@blossburg.org

Calendar and Community Sign: news@blossburg.org

The next meeting will be February 28th, 6:30 pm at the Borough Council Room. Josh Jones
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