

Date: May 20, 2024

Submitted By: Charlotte Bruewer, Chair

Updates:

Juneteenth Celebration – see attached reports from Councilmember Mayle.

Liquor License – the Village has applied for a liquor license for a 2-month period over the summer. CE/RC will discuss additional “mini-events” that can take place over the summer to utilize the concession stand and the liquor license.

Beautification – The neighborhood cleanup day is being rescheduled. Rec Commission member Allen LaFollette is going to be the point person for beautification efforts and will communicate the new date to Community Engagement once decided. In the meantime, great progress is being made on cleaning up and prepping the Community Garden – follow along on TikTok and Instagram @bigalthegardenpal.

WeTHRIVE! – Neighborhood Assessments are underway. The resident assessment is open to any member of the community and will take place at 5pm on Wednesday, June 5th. The OSU cooking class and the Matter of Balance workshop have wrapped up. The next class series is Bingocize® and flyers will be distributed soon.

Strategic Plan – The due date for the Strategic Plan survey has been extended to Friday, July 5th at 5pm. Residents are encouraged to visit the dedicated [page](#) for the Strategic Plan on the Golf Manor website for more information.

Recreation Commission – An organizational working session of the Recreation Commission will take place this Thursday, May 23rd at 6pm in Council Chambers. As mentioned in the last committee update, there are a number of ordinances that are out of date and refer to facilities that are no longer in operation in the Village. Per the advice of the Solicitor, the Recreation Commission will put together ideas and suggestions on their organizational structure which will be finalized by ordinance with full council.

Points for Discussion:

- Recommendations for July 4th Parade Grand Marshall

Proposed Actions:

- Have Finance Committee consider request to have funds appropriated from Reserve to Recreation Fund

Looking Ahead:

- Finalize and pass Background Check Policy
- Draft organizational structure and bylaws for Recreation Commission
- Work with Administration on identifying and scheduling DE&I training for Council and Human Rights Commission
- Explore internship opportunities with local colleges and universities
 - Community-based project with Dr. Kimberly Conger, professor of Public Administration at UC

Upcoming Events:

- May 31 to June 2 – Community Yard Sale, 9am - 6pm
- June 8 – Summer Yoga Series kickoff class
- June 14 – 3rd Annual Juneteenth Celebration
- June 22 – Golf Manor @ Cincinnati Pride Parade
- June 28-30 – Buy Nothing Swap, 10am - 2pm
- July 4 – Fourth of July Parade & Picnic

Date: Thursday, 15 May 2024

Submitted By: Melody N. Mayle, Juneteenth Coordinator

Updates:

- I met with Jim Puthoff and Chief Chris Campbell to discuss set-up and safety. Jim will install lighting at the park and will ensure the maintenance crew cuts the grass, sets out additional trash cans, places a stop sign at the crosswalk, etc. Jim also offered to coordinate directly with Dave Willacker for circus set-up.
- I emailed Dave Willacker and (1) asked him to confirm if the requested aerialist is available to perform; (2) shared a sketch of the proposed layout of the vendors (shown below for your reference); (3) informed him which outlets I'm reserving for the PA system and food vendors; and (4) connected him with Jim Puthoff.
- I texted Erika Gray and asked if she is opposed to us playing her setlist (music) again this year; she is not opposed. Now we need a phone or other device to connect to the speakers and play it on.
- The Village has submitted its application for a liquor license. Initially, they intended to apply for two permits: one for Juneteenth and one for the Fourth of July. Instead, they applied for a permit for June 13 through August 13!! Unrelated to Juneteenth, we should consider having more events and take advantage of an opportunity to fundraise and sell beer.
- As of now, we have 22 vendors registered and \$275 collected for a total of \$536 available. Obviously, all vendors are not paying their fee when they register. Given that another coordinator collected payments the previous two years, I am unsure if this is a new pattern or not. However, I do know from this other coordinator that all the vendors do eventually pay their fee. I will send these vendors an email requesting payment closer to the event.
- Of the 22 vendors, 3 are food vendors. One has paid, the other two have not. Additionally, I have 2 other food vendors who committed verbally and have yet to register or pay.



Date: Thursday, 09 May 2024

Submitted By: Melody N. Mayle, Juneteenth Coordinator

Updates:

- We have artwork!! I like the design. We should consider freezing it.
- We can accept electronic payments!! For now, we have accounts set up in CashApp, Venmo, and Square that connect to an Ally bank account, all in Chair Charlotte Bruewer's name. This is temporary. To avoid confusion, as I've already changed the payment options several times, these will be the accounts until all vendors are registered and their payments are collected, i.e. until the day of the event. We are currently finalizing payment options with accounts in the Village's name. Starting the day of the event, payments collected will be to these Village accounts and the accounts in Charlotte's name will be deleted. Payments collected at the event include those for beer tickets, raffle tickets, donations, etc.
- I emailed Dave Willacker of the Cincinnati Circus Co. and requested (1) a specific aerialist to perform at the celebration and (2) to rent sound equipment. He is providing both to us, free of charge. In other words, consider the cost of entertainment covered. (I do not want the vendors to know this.)
- I met with Danny Kneipp at Volunteer Park to learn about the power and electrical capacity of all the outlets there. He has always set up the sound equipment and helped the vendors who needed electricity. Given that he is moving away, we should know how to set up the sound equipment going forward. I believe the maintenance crew has some of this knowledge as well.
- I emailed the police and fire departments, invited them to attend the event, and requested that they provide (1) trucks to touch and (2) water & ice. Both departments plan to attend the event. The police department will try to provide water & ice. However, neither responded to the request for trucks to touch.
- I emailed three local breweries and asked them, in so many words, to obtain an "off-premises permit" (liquor license) to support our event. They all said no.
- Therefore, the Village has agreed to apply for a liquor license!!
- However, with a liquor license, all three local breweries are interested in partnering with us (some more than others). We should schedule a tasting!!
- I emailed ~20 vendors a few weeks ago, before the payment options were finalized, and personally invited them to register for the event. This past weekend, now that the payments are (temporarily) finalized, I emailed ~50 vendors. As of now, we have 16 vendors registered and \$200 collected.
- I submitted \$261 earned from last year's event to the Village to be deposited into the Rec account.
- Therefore, we have \$461 available. This will pay for the liquor license, the beer, and water & ice if not provided by the police (or fire) department.

Points for Discussion:

- Do you have a DJ who can provide us a setlist? I can ask Golf Manor resident Erikka “DJ KnowName” Gray again. She DJ’ed the first year and provided the setlist, which everybody loved, last year.
- Do we want a raffle this year? If so, what do we raffle? King’s Island tickets maybe? We made a whopping \$30 or so from the Nintendo Switch raffle last year.

Proposed Actions:

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Next Steps:

- Email Dave Willacker to (1) confirm that the requested aerialist is available to perform and (2) ask if he needs help setting up the sound equipment. We also need to show our appreciation by, for example, purchasing him a gift.
- Invite more food vendors. No food vendors have registered yet.