

## Ottawa Special Events Meeting

### Minutes of September 5, 2024

Meeting called to order: 5:35 pm

**Present:** Michael Dougherty, Alaina Iverson, Lloyd Chapman, Candy Moore, Dan Eilts, Abbie Kennedy, Ron Lambert, Audrey Miller, Jim Reilly

**Absent:** Lucas Hennefent Cortney DeArco, Jani Eichelkraut, Wayne Eichelkraut, Rich Crum, Randi Paquette, Robin Wilson

**Guest:** Jade Poundstone (Jade is helping Abbie Kennedy with the Fall Festival)

**Public Comment/Correspondence** – The Special Events Committee received a thank you note from the family of Betty Gillette for the flowers that were send for Betty's services

#### **Funding Requests:**

1. A Victorian Haunting – Ottawa Downtown Association - Motion to approve \$1,000 for services provided by the event vendors by Abbie Kennedy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Candy Moore
2. Starved Rock Concert Series – Terry Muffler – Motion to approve \$1,000 each for funding for sanitation for the 7/20/24 and 8/31/24 concerts Ron Lambert, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lloyd Chapman
3. Barrels & Bites – Smoketober Fest - Stephanie Stacy – Motion to approve \$1,500 for tent rental Michael Dougherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan Eilts

**Minutes** from August 6, 2024 approved by Michael Dougherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lloyd Chapman

**Financial report** received and approved with motion Michael Dougherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Reilly

**New Business:** Abbie Kennedy asked for help and discussed plans for the Fall Fest Parade (September 29).

Food trucks have been secured for the September 7 and September 14 Music In the Park. The bands are – The Stingers on September 7 and the Radium City Rebels on September 14. The time for the Music In The Park for these dates is 5 to 7 pm

Michael Daugherty informed the committee that four new Music In The Park banners were purchased.

There was discussion about the Special Events Committee possibly taking over the Ottawa Veterans Day and Memorial Day events in the future.

Trunk Or Treat on Court Street October 26 was asking for volunteers to help with the event.

**Old Business:** Some member garments were handed out.

Several bands for the 2025 Music In The Park were suggested.

**Other:** The Music In The Park questionnaires were discussed.

Two requests for funds – Scarecrow Fest \$1,000 and Ocktoberfest \$900 - were tabled to the next meeting because they were not submitted in time for this meeting

Michael Daugherty said the 2025 Car Show in the upper lot behind the Jordan Block next year (August 3, 2025) is interested in having food trucks and vendors for the Car Show.

Meeting Adjourned 6:43 Next meeting, October 3, 2024

Respectively submitted by Dan Eilts