

**SPECIAL EVENTS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES – MAY 17, 2012**

Present: Don Gillette, Peggy Schneider, Mike Dougherty, Elaine Baker, Jim Reilly, Joyce Kellogg, Heidi Eisert, Alaina Rivers and Nancy Stisser.

Absent: Jani Eichelkraut, Wayne Eichelkraut, and Phyllis Revell.

Guests: None.

Request for Funds: None

Correspondence: None

Minutes: April minutes were read and approved on a motion by Mike and a second by Joyce.

Summer in the City flyers were passed out to the committee. 10,000 were printed with nearly 8,000 of them being sent to Ottawa residents. There was no extra charge to the SEC for mailing/postage expenses because the flyer was included with an informational piece that was required by the EPA to be mailed out by the Water Department.

Old Business: Festival of Lights discussions continued. Crowd control and safety issues and the budget were discussed. Nancy noted that the City Council has allocated the committee \$40,000 for all events, same as last year, and after all the committee's commitments to other events, that would leave about \$8000 which could be devoted to the parade, or nearly twice as much as last year. Given that figure, the committee **authorized Heidi to contact the ABC Float Co. for prices and secure several floats** before the season begins and all the company's inventory is assigned elsewhere.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 21, at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Schneider.