## **Community Development Commission**

April 22, 2021 7:00pm Rock Hill City Hall - 827 N Rock Hill Road, Saint Louis Missouri 63119

Respectfully Written by: Leonmarie Benner

7:00 pm Meeting called to order - Patricia Harris - Chairman

7:02 pm **Roll Call** - <u>Attendees</u>:Pat Harris - Chairman,, Secretary: Leonmarie Benner, Maud Jeanty, William Mead,

Peggy McCree, Alderman: Ed Johnson, Katy Neiman-Parks and Recreation Superintendent

Absent: Mayor; Ed Mahan,

**7:02pm Approval of minutes of the February, 2021 meeting.** Peggy McCree *moved and Ed Johnson seconded* a motion to approve the minutes for the February 2021 meeting.

## Reports and discussions; I apologize as during the zoom many of the comments were muffled

Fall Festival Discussion is the focus. Budget is \$12,000.00

The Fall Festival will be held the first Saturday in October, 2021 (10-2-21) on the grounds of Hudson Elementary School. Time will be 11:00am - 4:00pm

- Parade -Ed Johnson is in charge of the parade and continues to be successful in this task. He is reaching out to several of the past marchers, floats, car brigade and enthusiastic community members regarding participation in the parade.
- Local talent Hudson School Choir we could have two stages (main stage with larger acts and then a youth stage for home grown/community/school age performances. This area could be where the balloon artists gather, clown performers etc.
- Getting a sense of entertainment; Leonmarie is in communication with one of the main stage performers.... THE PANICS with other members seeking out a second performer in the mid afternoon.
- RIDES: Influencing such is the variety of age in attendance, some vendors have changed their way of doing business - higher prices to rent, insurance provisions. We are working through all of these situations.
- Food Vendors We are securing the menu items and pricing for the event we will
  continue to use Katy Neiman's powerpoint presentation to conclude the vendors chosen.
- The time for the festival will remain the same 11:00am 4:00pm
- CDC still likes the idea of GAME sponsorship.
- Petting Zoo is still a favorite
- REturning is the CHILDREN's IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM with Peggy McCree volunteering in the Hudson Elementary gym
- Thoughts and discussion regarding a Parade Grand Marshall will soon be identified

## **Events**

- -April 25, 2021 is April Showers where the Girl Scouts within their troop leaders, families and friends help people in need by collecting personal care items.
- -Thursday May 6, 2021 is the National Day of Prayer. City Hall will participate and people should gather around noon
- -Saturday, May 8, 2021 is the Mayor for Meals Program where community members throughout the region deliver canned goods for the food pantries. The Mayor is looking for volunteers to load and unload the items into tubs

## Announcements / Round table

- -The city is asking for comments regarding the renovation process of THE Brigadier General C. David Turner Park located at 232 Lithia Avenue. Submit any ideas to city hall to be considered
- -Easter Program on April 2, 2021 was a success and well received with many community members participating.
- -Day Camp will be at Hudson Elementary School this summer. Brochures and applications are at City Hall or on line on city website

NOTE: Meetings will be held IN PERSON in the CHAMBER at City Hall. The attendees will continue to abide by social distancing guidelines and if anyone feels uncomfortable can attend the meeting via zoom.

Adjourned 7:50pm Next meeting will be May 27, 2021