

**Edgewater Park Township**  
**Parks & Community Engagement Meeting Minutes**  
**August 4, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**STATEMENT**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:**

Ms. Santiago (Chair)

Mr. Ayrer

Mr. Davis

Ms. Doyle

Mr. Williams (Vice Chair)

**Absent: None**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of Minutes from June 23, 2022 Community Engagement Meeting:

**Approve:**

Ms. Santiago (Chair)

Mr. Ayrer

Mr. Davis

Ms. Doyle

Mr. Williams (Vice Chair)

**Opposed: None**

**Discussion:** Vice Chairman Williams indicated the omission of General liaison assignments. Chairwoman Santiago – 100 Anniversary , Vice Chairman Williams - Public Safety, James Ayers – Schools, Corey Davis – Social Media, Chrissy Doyle – Elks

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Halloween Movie Night. Marvel film discussed. Suggested date will be Halloween Eve 10/30/22. Discussion of Marvel Movie to be presented. Venue and logistics discussed briefly. Need to meet with proposed surprise guest for further info.
- Yard Sale – Proposed date to be September 17, 2022. URGENT Need to create flyer or communication for the Beverly Bee as well as Social Media outlets. Also need to get map together to identify locations. Chairwoman Santiago to follow up with Sgt. Harris
- Holiday Celebration – Discussed bringing back the Residential Holiday Lighting contest. Research on how contest has been done in the past as well as how other communities manage the event. Return to Municipal Building for Holiday Celebration. Will include outdoor venue possibly using tent. Vice Chairman Williams to reach out to both fire companies for their assistance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Fishing Derby – considering the Roosevelt Park has not yet been finished and we are not have a re-dedication date, as well as the logistics of stocking pond, the committee has decided to cancel the fall derby and work towards a successful event in the spring.
- Veterans Banners
- Kite Day – to combine with Movie Night.
- Veterans Day Events – This project was very successful in 2022 and will work on a plan for 2023. Banners created for the veterans remembered in 2022 will be placed back on Cooper St. prior to Veterans Day. After Veterans Day the banners will be removed and returned to the families of the specific veterans. A plan for the project going forward needs to be formalized as we already have several names for the next round of banners. Could possibly increase number of banners based on pole count and possibly placing 2 banners on poles.
- Community Day –100 Anniversary. Founded 2/26/1924. This event is coming up fast and a plan needs to be started in preparation for the 100 anniversaries. Kevin Johnson will contact Dennis Rogers (Historical Society) for ideas and history. Date to be determined but committee leaning towards a spring 2024 event.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Received complaint that the Weinman Playground benches are facing the wrong way. This information has been forwarded to Township Administrator and Public Works for adjustment.
- Lights are not working at Memorial field. Township is working on a solution that may involve temporary lighting. It was also discussed that some coaches were unaware that Weinman Field has been shut down for the year for conditioning.
- Veterans Day Events – Ms. Doyle will connect with the Elks Veterans committee for scheduled events. Monument Cemetery Open House fundraiser to be held on September 18, 2022. Rain date September 25, 2022

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Roosevelt Park – Discussion about number of kids hangout at night as well as graffiti, poor drainage and dead plants and trees. It was also mentioned that kids are accessing the pond wall through a broken fence. Mr. Johnson to follow up with Chief Evans. Vice Chairman Williams will be working with Senior Advisory Chairwoman Hall to rebuild the Branches of Love Program.

#### **Approve Adjournment**

Ms. Santiago (Chair)

Mr. Ayrer

Mr. Davis

Ms. Doyle

Mr. Williams (Vice Chair)

**Meeting end time: 7:30PM**