

Lowell Community Committee
Mar. 28, 2022
6:00pm
Lowell City Hall

Attendees: Jim Kiser, Michelle Sebastian, John Cantrell, Candy Funderburk, and Cristy Cummings.

John called the meeting to order and determination of quorum occurred at 6:00pm. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the Feb. 28th meeting. Minutes were approved.

Old Business

The Spring Litter Clean-Up date is scheduled for Saturday, April 2nd. This is a community event of neighbors pitching in to clean up areas around the city. We welcome, and encourage, any volunteers who are interested in helping with this service project to join us the morning of April 2nd at City Hall parking lot. Registration for volunteering may be found at the Lowell City website.

New Business

John made a motion that Heather Seay be elected as the LCC Chairman. Motion seconded by Michelle and motion passed. Michelle made a motion that John Cantrell be elected as the LCC Vice Chairman. Jim seconded the motion and motion passed.

The LCC discussed the current term limits that are in place for membership on this committee. Since membership has been low, and sometimes a challenge to have enough to determine a quorum, we discussed whether term limits are needed. Michelle made a motion that City Council amend the LCC by-laws to remove term limits. John seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Staff Updates

Cristy reported that Tee-Ball season is right around the corner. There will be one team this year.

Eggs in the Park will be on April 8th at Harold Rankin Park. The festivities will begin at 6:00 pm. There will be three separate "egg hunts" based on age groups, with plenty of fun for youngsters up to twelve years old.

The Senior Easter picnic is scheduled for April 14th at noon. This event will occur at Harold Rankin Park. Contact City Hall to reserve your lunch spot.

Member Comments

Candy reported that the Women's Club will be planting spring flowers in the planters in town sometime in April.

The upcoming Red Bull sponsored UCI Pump Track World Championships Qualifier event which is scheduled for the weekend of May 21, 2022 needs volunteers. The event will occur at the Poston Park pump track. This is one of three qualifying events worldwide and it is extra special that it is going to occur again in Lowell. Volunteers could help with such things as supporting the onsite registration, monitoring areas, and running errands as they are needed. Volunteers would also likely score free “event swag” and meals, as well as other goodies. For more information you may email Brandon at Brandon.Black@gastongov.com. The website for the competition itself is: <https://www.redbull.com/sg-en/events/red-bull-uci-pump-track-world-championships-gaston-county-usa>

A discussion occurred regarding the awarded grant money for both the Revitalization Program for selected homeowners and the renovations for the Lowell Community Center. Cristy reported that the improvements are still in the plans, but the city has had challenges around COVID and the bidding process for the contracted work.

The LCC would like to increase the number of American Flags flown to commemorate U.S. holidays such as Memorial Day, Flay Day, The Fourth of July, and Veterans Day. Cristy is going to bring this up at a staff meeting to get an update on the number of flags the city currently has, and she will report back at the next LCC meeting.

Michelle made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by John. Meeting adjourned.

The next LCC meeting will be on April 25th at City Hall.