

Lowell Community Committee
Sept. 27, 2021
6:00pm
Lowell City Hall

Attendees: Cristy Cummings, Michelle Sebastian, Travis Smith, John Cantrell, Heather Seay, and Alex Blackburn.

Travis called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
A motion was made to approve the minutes from the July 26th meeting. Minutes were approved. The August meeting did not occur.

Old Business

The LCC will be celebrating the veterans of Lowell on Saturday, November 13th, which coincides with Veterans Day, November 11th. Kyle Fletcher barbeque will be donating lunch for any interested Lowell veteran. Lunch will be a “drive by and pick up” at First Baptist Church from 12:00 – 12:30. Please RSVP with City Hall so that a head count will be available.

Alex reported that Gaston Signs will be making a sign for the cemetery which will indicate the clean off dates. This sign will be located at the entrance along the road.

New Business

S&L Creations will be commissioning a mural to be added to their building. Travis shared a rendition that was done by artist Dillon Conn.

Cristy shared ideas for holiday decorating contests. Included was a contest for the best outside residential holiday décor. If you would like to nominate a neighbor, or yourself, you may do so by contacting City Hall. All nominations will have a deadline of December 15. There may also be a Store Front competition among the businesses in town, and residents may vote on which one they feel is the best. This will be like the People’s Choice Awards. More to come on these competitions and other holiday fun this fall/winter.

Cristy is soliciting volunteers for the Festival in the Park, October 9th, between 6:00pm – 10:00pm.

Cristy also share that the 2nd annual River Sweep is scheduled for November 6th from 8:30am – noon. Coffee, snacks, and a tee shirt (courtesy of S&L Creations) will be provided. You may register for the event at the Lowell City website. Volunteers are needed and welcomed.

Staff Updates

Cristy reported on the following:

- The work that is being done on the Parks and Recreations Master Plan will include a community resident survey. This survey, when constructed, will be available from the Lowell City website, Facebook Page, and at a booth at Festival at the Park. Focus groups that include community members will also be involved in the contributing to the Master Plan.
- Representative from the Carolina Thread Trail have met with residents of River Falls to discuss the extension of the Thread Trail that would include their neighborhood. The individuals from the Carolina Thread Trail will also be meeting with residents of River View with similar discussions.
- The mobile mammogram bus will be in Lowell on Oct. 22nd.
- Citizens Academy continues. This ten-week course is available to the public and provides an in-depth view of all City of Lowell operations. The next meeting is Oct. 25th.
- Treat Walk will be on October 28th at 4:00pm.
- Music in the Park has been rescheduled for Nov. 6th.
- The city has been collaborating with the McCord family regarding the property across from City Hall. A possible rendering of the McCord Family Park was shared with the LCC. The vision for the park may include small concerts, pop-up yoga, library readings / events, lunch series events, food trucks, and other special events.

Member Comments

John mentioned that the old theater (across from City Hall) has been rented and is being used as an artist studio.

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

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