

Claremont's 250<sup>th</sup> Committee

March 24, 2014 4:30pm

CSB Community Center

Minutes

Approved April 7, 2015

**Present:** Melissa Richmond, David Lucier, Bill Binder, Bill Carpenter, Cindy Landry

A permit from the city is needed for the "ourhandsthenandnow" sculpture.

Mark Brislin will look into it and call Bill C. with the necessary information.

We hope to have the base in place in May so that it will have time to cure. Hopefully the sculpture will be erected in early August.

Approximately 20-30 people from the 39<sup>th</sup>. Army Band will perform at the Claremont Farmers Market from 4:00 to 5:30 on Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion:** To designate this as a 250<sup>th</sup> event.

**Made by:** Bill Binder   **Second:** David Lucier   **Vote:** Unanimous

Mark Brislin has researched 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks and has found that in order to noticeably enhance the show we would have to contribute at least \$1100. He suggested that we could hire a firm to supply Bouncy Houses instead. The rental company would pay for the insurance. It was suggested that if we are able to get the Clydesdales from Budweiser for the alumni parade, we might be able to use Monadnock Park for loading and unloading them. Mark will look into it.

Penny Mann spoke about a city-wide "Show Your Pride Day" when Claremonters would pick up trash and generally try to improve the appearance of the city, maybe choosing to concentrate on Moody Park.

Mark will check on the date for National Park Clean-Up Day. Melissa is talking to Casella Waste Management about pick-up and disposal.

**Motion:** To accept the minutes of the March 10, 2014 meeting.

**Made by:** Bill Binder   **Second:** Melissa Richmond   **Vote:** Unanimous

We have received a check from Claremont Savings Bank for \$10,000.

We now have \$19,016 in the bank.

**Motion:** To accept the \$10,000.00 donation.

**Made by:** David Lucier           **Second:** Bill Binder   **Vote:** Unanimous

Ernie Montenegro estimates in-kind donations of \$200,000.

We have approved payment to Ernie of \$25,000. to \$40,000.

Ernie will be away for three weeks in April.

A proposed "donor dinner" for approximately 200 people will cost us \$6-8,000.

Rick Bolduc from Red River Computer is very enthusiastic about our efforts.

Nancy Merrill has approved letting the Hales hang some of their pictures in the Visitors Center. They have already measured the walls. They will price the prints and we will get \$2.50 for each one sold.

The Common Man is donating the space for the Retro Ball. Capacity is 180.

With the current menu, the cost for the food will be \$54.32 per plate.

The cost for the music will be \$1500.

The menu can be adjusted, based on ticket sales.

Bill Carpenter stated that if we don't hold the ball that there will be no cost to us.

**Motion:** To accept the Common Man contract.

**Made by:** Melissa Richmond    **Second:** Bill Binder    **Vote:** Unanimous

The price of tickets for the ball on May 3<sup>rd</sup> has not been determined.

David Lucier wants the event to make money.

Bill Carpenter stated that he doesn't care if the ball makes money or not. Discussion followed.

**Motion:** For Melissa Richmond and Bill Carpenter to adjust the menu and set the ticket price so that we will make money, and advertise it as a fundraiser.

**Made by:** David Lucier                      **Second:** Bill Binder                      **Vote:** Unanimous

**Motion:** For Chris Cheon to make posters for the ball.

**Made by:** Bill Binder    **Second:** David Lucier    **Vote:** Unanimous

There will be a reception at the Opera House on October 26<sup>th</sup>. It will be free and open to the public. There will be reserved seating for donors.

November 21<sup>st</sup> has been set as the date for the orchestra performance.

The Eagle Times is giving us space for a running ad. We will have to determine what we want to highlight.

We can get banners at Skyline Design for \$3.75 a square foot. Bill Binder will look into the cost of a banner to hang across Pleasant Street.

Bill Binder will confirm details with the Post Office about a 250<sup>th</sup> cancellation regarding cost, etc. This needs to be done ten weeks before the event.

**Motion:** To adjourn.

**Made by:** Bill Carpenter      **Second:** David Lucier      **Vote:** Unanimous

Respectfully submitted:

Cindy Landry