

MALTA SEEDLING COMMITTEE
October 11, 2023
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Present

Brenda Jergens, Jacque Fucilla, Erin McNeal, Debe Fullington, Ann Mueller

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Brenda Jergens at 5:51 PM

Minutes of meeting of September 13, 2023 as read.

MOTION to approve minutes by Debe Fullington and SECONDED by Brenda Jergens. Motion carried.

Mural Lighting

Jacque Fucilla talked with Scott Kaelin. Scott has discussed running the electric line with Cass Larson, but they did not talk about lights. Jacque is still working on moving the project forward.

Music in Park

Brenda Jergens has been contacting bands and food trucks for music in the park for 2024. She is also working with the village to book bands for Malta Days.

Tentative dates: July 18th with Free Beer & Chicken Band, and August 22nd with Route 38 Band.

Brenda was contacted by John Smith who has a big band, brass quintet, and dixie quartet. We talked about possibly combining his band with the vintage baseball game.

We discussed having an indoor event with the big band, or maybe an adult prom fundraiser in May. We will ask Josh at Old School Pizza about hosting an indoor event at the school gym.

Vintage Baseball Game

Erin McNeal met with a member of the Oregon vintage baseball team. He said our park would be a good location for a game, and he will let us know if he can fit a Malta game into their schedule for 2024. We will need to feed about two dozen players at the end of the game. He also said that he would be willing to help us get a team started in Malta. We think June would be the best time for a game, but we will see what he has available. We discussed selling hot dogs, chips, pop, and popcorn – maybe the Lions Club or 4-H could be in charge of the food.

Music Bingo

The dates and sponsors for Music Bingo:

10/26/23 – Remingtons

11/22/23 – Brenda and Tom Jergens

1/25/24 – Jacque and Brian Fucilla

2/22/24 – Debe and Larry Fullington

3/28/24 – Arndt Automotive

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Garland Fest

The date for next year's festival is 9/21/24

Brenda has talked to Rollin Whiskey Band about playing next year. They charge \$1,000 w/ sound system and lights. MOTION to book band for \$1,000 by Jacque Fucilla, and SECONDED by Debbe Fullington.

Motion carried.

We need to put up more signage the week of Garland Fest, especially for people driving to the orchard. Jonamc Orchard has a band and food truck every Saturday night in September and October, we discussed if this is drawing people out to the orchard instead of downtown.

Chili Cook-off

Date: Saturday, February 3, 2024

We will announce it at the October and November Music Bingo. To encourage participation, we will not charge an entry fee to people who cook the chili. We will ask for a donation from attendees.

Erin McNeal will make a flyer.

Movie Night

Debe Fullington will talk with Josh about choosing a date for August 2024, possibly August 31st.

Financial

Current Balance: \$28,589.54

Recent deposits:

\$900 from Seedling sponsors

\$2500 annual donation from the village

\$100 from music bingo

Recent costs:

\$40 for gift cards for music bingo prizes

\$1389 for tent rental

New Business

Brenda Jergens received an email from Terry Sparks at DeKalb County Community Foundation about an economic development grant the village will be receiving from Compeer Financial. The grant check will be presented at the October 25th village board meeting at 7PM at Village Hall. Seedling members are encouraged to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 8th at 5:45 PM at Malta Village Hall, 302 S. 2nd Street.