

Marengo Chamber of Commerce

March 30, 2016

The Marengo Chamber of Commerce met at 12:00 pm at the Marengo Public Library. Eight members were present along with two guests.

Two members of the band Grace Under Fire, Mike & Paula Morris, visited the meeting today to talk about their band and let the Chamber know they would like to be considered for entertainment at Chamber events. In the past, they have been the entertainment for the Fall Festival. Kim told them a DJ had already been lined up for the 3rd of July, but will keep them in mind for future events. Mike and Paula left information on upcoming shows and their current song list (see attached).

3rd of July activities were discussed. Kim Nelson, as a representative for the Chamber, attended the March 29th meeting of the 3rd of July committee. He presented a brief/tentative outline of the schedule of events:

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| 7-10 | Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast |
| 7-9 | Booster 5K fun run |
| | Horseshoe tournament TBA |
| | Bike Rodeo TBA |
| | Toddlers Triathlon TBA |
| 11-3 | Ash Productions DJ on the bandstand |
| 3:30-4:30 | Magician on the bandstand |
| 5-6 | Leanne's School of Dance |
| 6-6:30 | Parade lineup |
| 6:30-7:30 | Parade |
| 7:30-8:30 | Magician 2 nd act on the bandstand |
| Dusk | Fireworks |

Port-A-Potties – Last year 20 were ordered. Kim and Garth are going to talk to Brian Miller to see if they had enough units for the street dance. While there they are going to ask him to join chamber and also see if he will fund the rental of some of the potties.

Donation from the City – Kim asked Deven if he would ask the council for a \$500 donation to go towards the rental of the Port-A-Potties. This is the same amount they have given in the past. Deven said he would present it to the council.

Streets to block off – 3rd of July committee are requesting Marengo Ave. from Main to Washington, Washington from Marengo to Court. Also would like to request for the whole day (not just for street dance) Court from Main to Washington.

Grand Marshall – It was suggested to see if Ally Disterhoft and Jarrod Uthoff would be interested in being Grand Marshall's. Tamara Patterson will contact Uthoff and Sandra Folkmann will contact Disterhoft.

Car Show – The car show will once again be at the elementary with Darold Slaymaker in charge. Darold had inquired if breakfast could be served closer to the car show. Kiwanis is checking into having their pancake breakfast in the elementary. If that does not work, Leanne Cronbaugh said her LADC girls could serve donuts.

Kim mentioned since the 3rd is on a Sunday it would be nice to have a community church service in the park. He contacted the Methodist minister to see if this is something they may be interested in doing. Possible time could be 9:30-10:30 or 10-11.

Leanne Cronbaugh asked if it would be possible for all food vendors to be covered under one State Inspection Application to help save each vendor being charged the \$35 fee. Kim will check into that.

Leanne mentioned the Fall Festival will be October 8th. This is moved up a week.

Briefly discussed Christmas. We have \$1800 donated for new Christmas decorations. Kim suggested the Christmas committee could order them at any time. Tony Hocamp recommended waiting to see if we get any more donations. Ideas are still needed for decorating the park or any other activities.