

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
SYKESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
April 21, 2021**

Present: Alex Ries Bryan Troast
 Chris Sevick Nick Sheets
 Billy Shifflet Eric Valenstein

Joe Cosentini, Town Manager
Jana Antrobus, Staff Liaison
Kerry Chaney, Town Clerk

Absent: Stacy Link, Council Liaison

Call to Order

Alex Ries, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion was made by Chair Ries and seconded by Commissioner Sevick to approve the March 25, 2021 Minutes as presented. Commissioner Shifflet abstained; all others voted in favor.

Business

Park Cleanup Event

- Chair Ries, Commissioners Troast, Sheets and Sevick will participate.
- Chair Ries will post on Facebook for volunteers to meet at the Fountain Park at 9:00 am.
- The cleanup efforts will occur on concentrated locations on and around Main Street and South Branch Park.
- Commission Sevick will inventory available gloves for volunteers.
- Bags of trash to be deposited in Town dumpsters.

Music in the Park – Commissioner Sheets provided an update.

- Contacted three bands – one said yes, one said no and one is to be determined.
- Commissioner Sevick will contact The Vine and other sources for band recommendations.
- Post on Facebook “ISO Bands interested in participating”
- Complete total cost budget and share with Town Staff to determine if a Budget Amendment is needed.
- Time breakdown per band: two 45-minute sets with a 10-to-15-minute break between sets. Including setup and teardown time equals 105 minutes per band.
- Stage rental approximately \$500+
- Food Trucks – Goal is to arrange for one sweet and one savory food truck.
- How to hold the attention of visitors throughout the day?
 - Plan children’s activities.
 - Purchase Corn Hole and other outdoor games.
 - Car show
 - Facebook ISO activity suggestions.

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- Additional equipment: Megaphone and Christmas lights for the stage.
- Advertise throughout the summer. Banner and signs to be purchased.
- 1623 Brewing is having a Music Festival on the same day.

Pre-movie Events

- Piney Run – Commissioner Seveck spoke with contact and they need the date, time and what to bring. She is waiting for final approval from the Nature Center Supervisors as to when they can restart public appearances due to Covid.
- Karate Demonstration - Commissioner Seveck will confirm with Tri-Star their availability.

Chair Ries is finalizing the Health Certificate for the Snack Shack. It was suggested to keep a box of masks as the Snack Shack to offer to visitors if they came without one during events.

Commissioners Troast and Shifflet will test the new movie screen.

Adjournment

There being no other business, Chair Ries motioned and Commissioner Troast seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jana Antrobus, Staff Liaison