

Community Improvement Advisory Committee  
Sept. 28, 2020  
6:00pm  
Lowell City Hall

Attendees: Alisa Frye, Candy Funderburk, Michelle Sebastian, Travis Smith, Cristy Cummings, Scott Bates, and Scott Attaway.

Michelle called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

#### New Business

Election of a new chairperson for the Lowell Community Committee started off the meeting. Travis made a motion that Alisa Frye be selected to chair the committee, and it was seconded by Scott. Alisa was unanimously elected to the position. Thanks to Alisa for her continued commitment to our city. Membership of the Lowell Community Committee may include residents or business owners in Lowell.

Alisa made a motion that the minutes from the February meeting be approved, it was seconded by Travis. Minutes approved.

Cristy shared information on several events:

- Mask give away.
- National Night Out which gave out over 200 goody bags.
- October 19 there will be a mammogram bus at Rankin Park for screenings. See the Lowell website for details.
- In collaboration with the Lowell Park and Recreation Department and the Lowell Police Department, a new Park Watch has been established. The Park Watch is modeled after Community Watches. The areas around the Thread Trail and various parks in our area will be part of this effort. Signage is in the works and will be posted at various locations. If you are interested in being a volunteer there will be an application available from the Lowell City website and training information too.
- Nov. 7 (9:00am – 1:00pm) will be a River Sweep along the South Fork River. Volunteers are needed. See the city website for details and signups.
- Tentative dates for Freedom Fest 2021 was discussed and these will be shared with City Council at their next meeting. More information to follow.
- This year's Treat Walk is cancelled.
- The Christmas Parade is currently scheduled for Dec. 12, pending community health and pandemic protocols.

New banners for the Fall Season have been installed. The committee discussed additional (replacement) banners for other times during the year.

The committee discussed possible new signage in the city which included "Welcome" replacement signs, "Way Finding" signs, and "Parking" signs. The Way Finding signs may include, but not be limited to, the Community Center, Library, City Hall, Parks, Trailheads,

and Schools. Scott will be getting quotes for various options. We will continue our discussion on the topic as more information is gathered.

The instillation of banners along McAdenville Road for the Christmas Season was discussed. This discussion will continue as information regarding the cost of such a project is determined.

#### Old News

The public art work intended for the concession stand at Rankin Park that would include painted panes by students from Ashbrook High School is currently on hold due to the pandemic situation.

Michelle made a motion that the Lowell Community Improvement Advisory Committee change their name to Lowell Community Committee. Alisa seconded the motion. Motion passed. Scott will present the name change to City Council for approval. He is also going to suggest the council consider changing the bylaws for the membership requirements of the LCC to be a minimum of five members and a maximum of eight.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting.

The next LCC meeting will be Oct. 26 at City Hall.