

Minutes Perry Pride Meeting

June 7, 2022

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 pm

Members Present: Cristy Bidinger, Bob Brown, Donna Brown, Jennifer Brown, Megan Engleman, Willard Epling, Paula Hladky, Wayne Ledbetter, Georgia Masten, Rick Moore, Sharon Porter, Kathy Youngquist

May Meeting Minutes: Approved by all members present.

Treasurer's Report: 501c3 Status. Discussion concerning if anyone has expertise with this that could review and resubmit or find out status and why our payment was returned. Suggested that Kathy contact Ron Ellis or KS Attorney General to see if they can provide assistance or contact information.

Unfinished Business

Community Visioning/First Impressions/Vision 2030: There is a lot of work going on related to this but not a lot is visible yet. Weather and supply chain issues have been holding some things up but progress continues to be made!

<Prior Meetings: Initial focus will be park project that we began discussing in 2019. Kathy will work on a Summary of First Impressions Report and how this ties in with Vision 2030. Megan will then publish to our Perry Pride Website along with the First Impressions PowerPoint that was provided to us through Kansas Pride. We will hold off on publishing First Impressions Report until we are ready to roll out Walking Trail project. Perry Pride will donate \$5,000 in support towards the project. Vision 2030 (group consists of representation from City, USD343, School Board, Businesses, and Perry Pride) will be breaking into subcommittees: Parks & Recreation – Pat Putnam to lead; Business – Wes Henning to lead; Communications – Kathy Youngquist volunteer. Wayne Ledbetter will attend all meetings. Equipment is backordered for fitness areas on trail – expect delivery in the Fall (at the earliest). >

Spotlight on Wilkhomm Trail/Welcome to Perry Get Together: Scheduled Saturday, June 11th from 11:00am-1:00pm with a dedication by the City of Perry at noon.

Perry Pride Postcards: Sharon Porter requested a check for \$110 payable to Keith Middlemas to purchase cleaning materials. Kathy will bring this check to the July Perry Pride Meeting. <Prior Meeting: Sharon Porter requested Perry Pride to do a postcard that includes each of the rock signs in Perry by Keith Middlemas. The signs will need to be cleaned prior to photography and the temperature will need to be above 55 at night and 70 in the day. The stones should be cleaned every 5 years per Keith. Ramon Gonzalez has volunteered to coordinate the cleaning and do the photos.>

Perry Pride Pocket Museum and History Update: Marie Allen's exhibit is currently on display. Our Fall exhibit will focus on a photo display including businesses, churches, and schools and will be set up to follow by City of Perry street order. Cristy Bidinger has started a spreadsheet to document things we have in our Perry history collection. Kathy Youngquist will forward to Cristy the catalogs Megan Cottrell did for our Hometown Teams exhibit.

<Prior Meeting: Perry has been added to the Old Jefferson Town website and is currently promoting our Pocket Museum display. Check it out at www.oldjeffersontown.com The website has a link to our Facebook page and we will request that our Perry Pride website link be added. Video goals: 1. Teaser for Perry History. 2. Introduce the work our Perry History

Committee is doing. The video is almost completed and looks fantastic. Judith Hotchkiss is the narrator.>

Welcome to Perry Bags: No update. <Prior Meeting: Discussion on are we prepared to continue doing Welcome Bags with the expected increase in new residents? Are these what people really want (coupons are not being redeemed, expense to business that provide items, etc.)? Perry Pride could have a positive impact on communicating information about Perry: services, Churches, where to eat. Wayne has provided a list which includes information new residents might find helpful. >

New Business:

Kansas Perry Pride signs on HWY 24: Our Kansas Perry Pride signs have faded. Kathy Youngquist will contact Kansas Pride to find out prices to replace.

Fall Festival. The 2022 Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, September 10th! Fall Festival Checklist reviewed.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50pm

Next Meeting: Next Meeting July 5, 2022 at 6:30pm. Perry Lecompton Community Library (enter through west doors).