

**Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce  
Events Committee Meeting  
Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Present:** Michelle Nelson, Joan Jackson, Vedah Fales (via Phone), Levi French, Carol Ostendorf, Tania Kreitman, Gavin Higgins, Stephanie Grafel

Called to Order by Stephanie Grafel 12:05

**1. Market on the Square** – Begins tomorrow May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

a. Stephanie has sent announcements out to all previous and some new vendors. There have been 13 responses, with payment from 10 of them.

b. Gavin brought the committee up to speed on the City Council Meeting from May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021. There are concerned citizens about tripping hazards around the Square due to Food Truck cords on the sidewalks. It was also brought up during the meeting that some people feel the Food Trucks are an eye sore to the park. The other concern was regarding extra trash due to public use. Dan Knoell has added more discussion regarding this to next month's agenda.

The committee discussed ways to keep the public happy during Market Days by preemptively dealing with some of the concerns. Stephanie will touch base with all the vendors that use the City Park electricity. We will request carpets, mats or cord covers to be put over existing cords. Stephanie will leave some orange traffic cones on either side of the walkway to highlight the possible tripping hazard. It was suggested that if there is a trash problem in the summertime because the park is used more frequently, the city should empty the cans more than once a week.

Committee members were encouraged to attend the City Council meeting next month to show our support for Market Days and our willingness to work toward a satisfactory solution.

Stephanie has had several inquiries about the Port-a-Potty being placed in the Square for the summer. She has contacted the City offices and Dan Knoell stated he would consider it for this year, but there are citizens that are opposed to it being there. Gavin reached out to Megan Svoboda at the Public Library to confirm that their restrooms could be available for public use. She said they are. Stephanie will let the vendors know that this is also an option along with the Municipal Buildings restrooms.

**2. Summer Celebrations** – June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021

a. There are 2 days so far for Summer Celebrations. 4 County Kids want to participate by have Chalk Art in the Square on June 17<sup>th</sup>, Alex Wenquist has shown interest in playing his guitar, and some of his friends would join with other musical numbers, Stephanie is trying to schedule him in June. KBear has agreed to be a sponsor for the June Festivities. 4 County Kids will have a Bubble Themed project on July 8<sup>th</sup> and the local Rock Band "Ambition" will be playing. KCNI will be sponsoring for July.

### 3. **Color Run** – July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

a. Stephanie went through the items in the basement that we currently have for the upcoming Color Run. There are a few items that will need to be purchased. Colored powder in yellow, blue, and purple is low. There is 90 pair of sunglasses; we may want to purchase one more box. Runner’s numbers also need to be purchased. Stephanie would like to use up the Black & White ones we have and then supplement with the new supply. She will check with the “Get Me Registered” website to see if they supply numbers. Depending on how many age groups or categories there are for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners we will need to buy more medals. There are currently 6 – 1<sup>st</sup> place medals, 19 – 2<sup>nd</sup> place medals, and 23 – 3<sup>rd</sup> place medals. Tania said she will look into what categories are usually used and touch base with Stephanie. Below is the information Tania found. If we go by these guidelines we will want 26 of each of the Medals available. Or we could combine some of the older age groups; 70+, 50-69, 30-49, 15-29, 10-14, 5-9, and overalls. That would be 18 medals a piece.

#### **Award Categories for 5k Run**

Overall 1<sup>st</sup> place 5k - Male & Female

Overall 2<sup>nd</sup> place 5k - Male & Female

Overall 3<sup>rd</sup> place 5k - Male & Female

**Age categories, Top 3 5k finishers, male & female:**

5-9

10-14

15-19

20-29

30-39

40-49

50-59

60-69

70-79

80 & over

### 4. **Tasting** – autumn

a. Vedah is working on the idea for having “The Pioneer Woman”, Ree Drummond host/sponsor a tasting event. She is crafting a letter to send. The Chamber would use her recipes and do pairings with Nebraska wines, ciders, and beers. We could sell cookbooks and other items. It was decided to hold off on any more discussion at this time and add it to the agenda for next month.

Meeting Adjourned 12:50pm

Next meeting: June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at Noon in the Chamber Office

Respectfully Submitted: Stephanie Grafel, Administrative Assistant