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**Subject:** Green Space/Parks Committees Minutes 7/12/16

The following are minutes to the Green Space/Parks Meeting on 7/12/16

Attendees: George Carpenter, Pat Hogan, Keith Brodman, Mark Cann, Doug Dresie

1. Park Fest '16
  - a. Final planning underway. A&A Lighting will let us use two large light stands with generator power for free if they are available.
  - b. American Modern Insurance sponsorship funds have come in. The overall sponsor funds have come in approximately \$2,500 above the festival's budgeted cost! Great work!
  - c. We have 76 volunteers lined up to help at the event. The T-shirts for the volunteers were ordered today, 7/12/16.
  - d. Keith Brodman volunteered to assist Doug with the banking and change needs at the event.
  - e. We need to make sure there is a sign-up sheet for potential park volunteer interest at each booth.
2. Park Trail Update
  - a. The trail signs have been installed. Pat has started marking the new trails with paint. The front trails still need to be done, but will be completed prior to Park Fest.
  - b. There are now 2.5 miles of hiking trails at the main park.
3. Grant Opportunity Updates
  - a. OKI Transportation Alternative – Doug and George spoke with Allen Freeman. The application was submitted (approx. \$300K) and Allen has had some conversations with the organization. Allen is hopeful that we will be successful in receiving a good portion of the amount requested. Allen does not know the time frame for decisions.
  - b. Reds Community Fund – Mark Cann has had a discussion with his contact and gathered some information. The grant deadline in January.
4. Organization
  - a. Potential Foundation/501c3 – Doug shared the questionnaire documents previously given to us from Tim Hershner, for review. This topic will be an area of focus at the next meeting on August 3. We need to review and develop a business case to present to the Trustees. One consideration if this path moves forward would be recruiting an attorney to be on the board.
5. Future Programming
  - a. Discussed potential Halloween event further. George had some discussions with City Barbecue at another festival to understand how they operate for festivals. They typically share a portion of the proceeds with the festival host, or for larger events pay a flat fee. Pat mentioned Paradise Brewing as a potential participant. The event would be much smaller in scale than Park Fest and family oriented with potential trick-or-treat and hayride activities for kids.

- b. Scheduled group hikes – We could establish dates and times and use social media to draw interest.
- c. Skirt Softball Game fundraiser – Mark Cann has seen this and is aware of one coming up to visit and learn. This is something that would be a lot of fun and draw interest and funds. Mark will provide more information as he learns more.
- d. Potential Food Truck Festival – These are becoming more popular. Amelia has one scheduled soon and we need to help promote their event at Park Fest, as they are helping promote our event.

**NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2016, 6:30PM**