

Roeland Park Community Engagement Committee
Thursday, March 18, 2021

Virtual Meeting: <https://www.gotomeet.me/RoelandParkCouncil/community-engagement-committee>

Committee: Matt Heitmann, Angela Walsh-Fisher, Michael Rebne, Melissa Dobbin, Sam Wisman, Toan Nguyen

Members in attendance:

Guests in attendance: Daniel Vandebos, Lisa Eagle, Dennis Baughman & Emma Miller from Midtown Signs, Mary Schulteis, Christine Webster, Keith Moody, Russell McCorkle

- **Summer Banners**

First 15 minutes will be dedicated to brainstorming additional summer banner design options with Midtown Signs, Mary and Christine from the Arts Committee, RP City Administrator, and Russell McCorkle that designed most of the spring banner art.

- If we run out of time, and need to call a special meeting, the week of April 5th works best for most CE members

- **Egg Drop Update**

Budget \$500:

- Banners and fliers were approximately \$200.
- City has ordered and covered the cost of eggs and baskets. (3500 eggs/350 baskets)
- Only candy purchase outstanding?
- City has offered to help cover additional costs if needed.

Registration:

- Deadline of March 27 on fliers.
- 275 kids registered as of Monday afternoon. Only a few identified as non-RP per visual review.
- The city will have AIMS map registrants once signup is closed.

Press/News coverage:

- The city is looking to do a press release for the egg drop. This may include one of more of the news stations to pal around with one of the council or community members whilst delivering eggs to houses. Katie Garcia is working on this.

Logistics:

- Ordered enough eggs/baskets for 350 kids. (10 eggs/1 basket per kid)
- When do we want to start stuffing eggs/creating baskets?
 - Lisa: get tables and space at community center for assembling materials
 - Matt is unavailable April 3 but will help create baskets/stuff eggs with candy to prepare for the drop.
- Volunteers so far:
 - Michael's daughter's girl scout troop will help stuff eggs
 - Tony has offered to help drop off baskets.
- Agree to plan for April 3rd

- **Bike repair stand update:**

Sustainability committee wants to know if the committee continues to be interested in collaborating and contributing up to \$1,000. (discussed sust will contribute \$2000; CE will contribute \$500-\$1000 last month)

David Smith of sustainability researched bike repair stands.

“This order (black color) runs about \$2560.

	Product	Quantity
x	 Fixit Finish: Powder Coat - Black Fixit Pump: Air Kit Prime	1   
	Click here to add a product note	
x	 Bike Hitch Finish: Powder Coat - Black Mount: Surface	5   
	Click here to add a product note	

If Laura gets back to me with Westwood funding I'll add another basic pump (\$566) and those costs will be split. The bike hitches run for \$157 apiece.”

New Business:

- **Event idea submitted for CE consideration: “Princess Day”**
A walkthrough event, where kids are given multiple royal crafts, sweet treats to take home, along with a picture and quick chat with the Princesses (think Moana/Elsa), but are expected to continue moving through the event so others can do the same. Children are encouraged to dress as their favorite princess or prince, but are not required to.

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February 18, 2021

<https://zoom.us/j/91717746988?pwd=b3hmbFJ1UFMyUW1wQmQrb05DU2xOUT09>

- **Select chair (at least) of committee for communication from city, running meetings, greeting new members:** Voted Melissa Dobbin as chair
 - **Survey question/s for citywide survey**
“What type of community engagement events do you prefer?”
Choices: outdoor festival, food truck, Friday evening concert, sports competition, food competition (ie chili cook-off), block parties, other
 - **Egg Hunt**
Egg drop by committee and/or council with 10-15 eggs per kid, incl. Basket; sign up soft deadline, 2 weeks before Apr. 3, put baskets together Apr. 3 at community center
Lisa: get tables and space at community center for assembling materials
Toan: finding egg and baskets
Matt: create flyer
Michael: communications and posting with city staff; check with boy or girl scouts for help; see if Daniel can modify easter banner for egg hunt, post by QT or McD?
 - **Bike repair stand update:**
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 - **Banner recap**
Let Daniel know by March 4 preferences for banners
1. [Scavenger Hunt update](#)
Only 1 entry so far--tshirt prize has been delivered
 2. [Community Center Snowflake Display/Easter Egg Hunt ideas](#)
10 snowflake participants
Egg Hunt Ideas:
 1. City provides take-home bags to be picked up by families from community center or other central location
 2. We (or city staff--prob Wade the codes officer) deliver an egg "set" to participating families to do at their home
 3. Bunny driven around by police or city vehicle passing candy around the neighborhood
 4. Some combination of the above

3. Safe Bike/Walk--splitting cost of bike repair station

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Roeland Park Community Engagement Committee January 21, 2021

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December 18, 2020 6:00

- 11. Daniel V. presentation**
- 12. [Scavenger Hunt update](#)**
- 13. [Community Center Snowflake Display](#)**
- 14. What's Next?**

[Police Engagement?](#)

Here is where we are at right now. The PD already participates in numerous public outreach projects, including but not limited to:

- Shop with a Cop
- Coffee with a Cop
- Safety Nights at the community center
- RPPD Facebook page
- Nextdoor involvement by Chief and I

Det. Chaffee: ONE idea I could think of would be a public invite to “Chat with a Cop”. We could do a virtual “meet and greet” and Q&A over Zoom if something like that would be appealing. We could have an officer moderate that during their shift which would not interfere with the above listed issues.

Roeland Park Community Engagement Committee
November 19, 2020

Agenda:

1. Discuss R Park Pavilion Celebration in spring-- **delay this until future more certain**
 - a. Carnival theme: dunk tank, popcorn stand, food truck, band (mr. stinky feet), balloon animals, face painting, etc....
 - b. Collaborate with parks committee
 - c. Celebrate pavilion and Davis'
 - d. ceremony/ribbon cutting
 - e. Friday Concerts/Events
2. Discuss collaboration with RPCC on Holiday event:
 - a. Purchase materials for ornaments, hanukkah decorations, kwanzaa decorations
3. Review progress of Pet Photo Contest
 - a. Did the winners get the prizes?
 - b. Who are the winners--need to get to Jennifer so she can deliver prizes
4. Scavenger Hunt Update
 - Jack M Carpenter Park
 - Library
 - R Park (See Red Run, Tennis Courts)
 - Community Center (gym, sports dome)
 - Acoustic Center
 - Nall Park

City Hall

Roeland Elementary, St Agnes, Bishop Miege

Cooper Creek

Granada Park: Tony Hawk liked to spend time here

Aquatic Center: A local olympian is honored here....

5. Chose banners with PW superintendent Daniel Vandebos

Roeland Park Community Engagement Committee

October 15, 2020

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7. Discuss collaboration with RPCC on Halloween event
 - a. Purchase chalk and candy
 - b. 10-31 9:00-1, chalk drawings and come in for candy
8. Review progress of Pet Photo Contest
 - a. Melissa has collected over 100 different photos for contest--**140 photos; figuring who won, prizes, announcements, etc... circle back with Katie about what she sees as next steps;**
 - b. Prizes--mugs, t-shirts
 - c. 9/30 ends, clarify who judges, how to label photos with names
9. Next Event? Costumes?
10. Scavenger Hunt Update
11. Police Engagement? Some social media activity about distrusting police. From Det. Chaffee: Thank you for reaching out! I appreciate the fact the PD has open lines of communication like this with the governing body where we can "spit ball" ideas.

Brass tax:

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Given we are currently short staffed, COVID-19 still prevalent, and budgetary constraints on overtime, we would be hard pressed to take on any new initiatives at this time.

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From August

Online or Social Media Possibilities:

- *Day to day engagement with FB page ‘randomness’; trivia; Scavenger Hunt around RP, hints given out online and post photographs to win*

Have some trivia that is people based is super fun!

Kind of like the scavenger hunt, but photo contests

1. First person to post a picture of a very specific item that is rare but not impossible
2. First person to post a picture of a RP landmark

Comedy night on FB live

Cute pet contest; picture with the most "Likes" wins

- Submit pet pics via email by sept 30, then we put in an album, and then have public vote on the photos in the album--Melissa sends Michael a new email address
- Repeat for Halloween

Dance move video contest

- Matt posting landmark challenge
 - Need help posting--
 - Matt and Toan:
 - Purchase more t-shirts, insulated cups, mugs--"I love RP"--Michael
 - Partner with arts committee to find art pieces (
 - Statuettes
 - Landmarks--bishop miege, art studio, southridge church, community garden, gazebo, cedar roe library, nall park, cooper creek park (little statues), mountain bike trail entrance (west of community center)
 - Michael will coordinate with Katie
 - You can only win once per month...

- Connect with Allison about social media events

- Circle back about driveway dinner parties September when cooler: **Throw out a date and then have people commit to doing it--maybe elected officials can walk/bike/drive around--Michael/Katie**
- **Sidwalk chalk--submit to an album then vote--Michael/Katie**

- Daily events: for example post a pic of your family, or other fun ways to engage with the page and community,
- Fold Com Eng page with city page

JCPRD Collaborations

Candy Cane theme Bingo...?--**Libby will follow up with that**
 "Bingo Baker"-- virtual Bingo, e-newsletter JCPRD; maybe as an option instead of candy cane them bingo--**Libby will follow up**
 Halloween event Spooktacular, planning on changing that regardless.
 --maybe a drive-through event?-- **Libby will follow up with us**
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Other Priorities

- *Voter to Voter*: **Matt is establishing our community engagement voter to voter team--Michael will collect through city email**

- *47 Foodie Fest Collaboration*

Future In-person or Outdoor Event Plans:

- *R Park shelter grand opening--Tony talk to Katie about livestream. Tentative 10/7; Toan looking into a couple bands (spring 2021); Tony timeline update, Michael check budget, generator;*
- *RPAC family night or grand opening--maybe 1 week before pool opens. Early june; Tony has possible budget \$, Comm. eng. Provide people, start at 8:00? Day of event help; toan/melissa DJ connection*
- *Potential expansion of the 4th of July event. Tony has spoken to Fairway--Tony will follow up Bands? Inflatables? 2021; Involvement of comm eng? Gauge buy-in from westwood and fairway--collaboration*
- *Dog swim at the end of next summer. Sept. 2021, way to promote other things as well; Toan-Humane Society Greater KC*