

Coldstream Committee Meeting Minutes

1/5/10

Committee members present: Lisa Martinis, Pat Veon and Kristin Smedley.

Community members present: Ulla

The meeting started at 7:10 p.m.

Spring Car Show/Chili Cook-off – A Coldstream resident, Erich Husch, would like to have a Car Show/Chili Cook-off in the spring. The Coldstream Committee would like to invite Erich to come to our February meeting to discuss his ideas. Erich will be organizing this event with the Committee's help. We discussed looking into having Linganore tee-shirts, magnets and/or bags to use at the Farmer's Market made as a Coldstream fundraiser. Pat will check with Joy about using the Linganore logo, and if using the old Linganore logo would be an option. It was suggested that it might be fun to have a band at this event. And the possibility of charging an entry fee to help cover the cost.

Farmer's Market – We discussed the 2110 season. It will run from June 8 – Sept 7. We are hoping to have the same vendors as last year, and would like to add more. Lisa will check into the meat lady and the egg lady. Kristin will find out about the honey guy, and South Mountain Creamery. We discussed the concern that the first year Farmer's Market was more lucrative than last year's. Lisa pointed out that in the first year, we sent emails out every week to all of Lake Linganore to remind people that the market was there. We need to do that again this year. Hopefully, adding more vendors will help increase business as well.

Pat suggested that we secure the date now for our End of the Summer Beach Party. We decided on Saturday, September 11, with a rain date of Sunday, September 12. Lisa will contact Joy regarding this.

As a side note, we discussed the new Property Tax Assessment. It was noted that enclosed with the assessment was the Homestead Credit form. This credit has always been given to homeowners, without their having to do anything, if their home is their primary residence. This year, there is a one-time application that needs to be completed to receive the credit. It was suggested that Joy may want to add this info to the Lake Talk for residents to be aware of.

Last, we discussed the misuse of the Coldstream Email Distribution List. Lisa received several emails of concern regarding the inappropriate use of this list. It was suggested that we send out information via blind carbon copies, so that everyone's email address is not visible. But the intention of this list was for all residents to be able to communicate quickly with one another. Lisa will send out a letter that the committee put together apologizing for this misuse, and to remind residents to use good judgment when sending emails.

The meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.