



AGENDA
THOMAS TOWNSHIP REGULAR PARK COMMISSION MEETING
October 25th 2021
6:30pm
Public Safety Building
8215 Shields Drive
Saginaw, MI 48609

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of September 27th 2021 minutes
5. Approval of Expenditures
6. Public Comment
It is requested that you state your name and address for the record.
7. Public Hearing
None
8. New Business
 - a. Haunted Train breakdown.
 - b. Winter Wonderland Update.
9. Old Business
 - a. None
10. Reports
 - A. Parks:
 - **Roberts Park:** See agenda item
 - **Roethke Park:** See agenda item
 - **Community Park:** see agenda item
 - **Nature Preserve:** see agenda item
 - **Day Park:** see agenda item
 - B. Recreation Programs: See Agenda Item
 - C. Sports Committee report: None
 - D. Concert Committee Report: None
 - E. Finance Committee Report: None
11. Adjournment

Thomas Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to any individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in such services need to contact the Thomas Township Manager's offices at 249 N. Miller Road, Saginaw, Michigan 48609, by phone at 989-781-0150, or by fax at 989-781-0290 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting. In the case that advanced notice for accommodations is not possible, every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate the disabled.

We need to get sponsors for event:

- **Title Sponsor \$5,000**
 - Includes 45 tickets for employees to come to event
 - Name on all marketing material (large)
 - Signs at event
 - Tim will have them on light show announcements for people to hear
 - Company Name on pictures with Santa

- **Fireworks Sponsor \$2,500**
 - Includes 25 tickets for employees to come to event
 - Name on marketing material (medium)
 - Name recognition on announcements for fireworks sponsorship

- **Arts and Crafts Sponsor \$1,500**
 - Includes 15 tickets for employees to come to event
 - Sign in Arts and Crafts Tent
 - Name on marketing material (small)
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- **Hay Wagon Sponsors \$500**
 - Includes 5 tickets for event
 - Sign on hay wagon
 - Name recognition on marketing material

Event Schedule:

Thursday is drive through only for the elderly or people who don't feel comfortable in crowds yet.

- Enter off Miller
- We will have staff taking money along road
- \$10 per car
- Cars exit through Bacon Road
- Police car at Bacon and M-46 to make people turn right when leaving.
- Event run from dark to 9pm.

Friday Night:

- Enter off Miller
- Park Cars in grass field until full, then park at Swan Valley High School and Shuttle over.
- Guest enter through check point to pay
- \$5 per person
- Includes one hay wagon ride
- Additional hay wagon rides can be purchased
- Bon Fire
- Concession Stand selling, Pizza, Hotdogs, popcorn, pizza, pop, coffee, hot cocoa
- Smore Bags sold at concession stand (includes chocolate bar, graham crackers and marshmallows) \$5 per bag
- Arts and Craft tent

- Santa and Buddy the Elf with photographer taking picture with Winter Wonderland Event on them.
- Pre Sale of tickets (we are looking at this to see if we can)
- Rhonda is looking at light up toys for kids to buy

Saturday:

- Enter off Miller
- Park Cars in grass field until full, then park at Swan Valley High School and Shuttle over.
- Guest enter through check point to pay
- \$5 per person
- Includes one hay wagon ride
- Additional hay wagon rides can be purchased
- Bon Fire
- Concession Stand selling, Pizza, Hotdogs, popcorn, pizza, pop, coffee, hot cocoa
- Smore Bags sold at concession stand (includes chocolate bar, graham crackers and marshmallows) \$5 per bag
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- Santa and Buddy the Elf with photographer taking picture with Winter Wonderland Event on them.
- Pre Sale of tickets (we are looking at this to see if we can)
- Rhonda is looking at light up toys for kids to buy
- FIREWORKS at 9pm

PARK COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

- **MEETING DATE:** October 25th 2021
- **SUBMITTED BY:** John Corriveau, Parks & Recreation Director
- **AGENDA TOPIC:** Winter Wonderland Update

- **EXPLANATION OF TOPIC:** We have had a great response for sponsorships for the Winter Wonderland so far:
 - Garber Chevrolet on Gratiot \$5,000
 - Fullerton Tool \$2,500
 - HSC \$2,500
 - Meijer \$2,000
 - Thomas Township Kiwanis \$1,500
 - Mid Valley Insurance \$500
 - Stroeble Automotive \$500

- **MATERIALS ATTACHED AS SUPPORTING INFORMATION:** Event Agenda Draft

- **POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION:** None

- **SUGGESTED/REQUESTED MOTION:** None

- **ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED?** No

PARK COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

- **MEETING DATE:** October 25th 2021
- **SUBMITTED BY:** John Corriveau, Parks & Recreation Director
- **AGENDA TOPIC:** Haunted Train breakdown

- **EXPLANATION OF TOPIC:** We had a very successful event despite two rain days. We were rained both Fridays but both Saturday's were amazing! We made over \$7,000 on the first Saturday and \$9,000 on the second Saturday!

With the addition of the new train in 2022 and our ability to move people faster I feel we need to look at raising the fee for the train to \$10 per person and \$15 for train and haunted house. We raised the fees in 2017 from \$5 per person to \$6 and added a haunted house. There is an additional expense to operate both trains and this will help offset that.

- **MATERIALS ATTACHED AS SUPPORTING INFORMATION:** None

- **POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION:** None

- **SUGGESTED/REQUESTED MOTION:** Motion made by _____ and supported by _____ to increase haunted train fee to \$10 per person and haunted house and train to \$15 per person.

- **ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED?** No