

## Carousel Park Commission

### Minutes from the August 5, 2020 meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER at 6:38 pm by Stephen Costa, Chairman

II. ROLL CALL In attendance: Izilda Fernandes, Lisa George, Stephen Costa, Joan Hanrahan-Miller, Ricardo Mourato, Donna McMahon, David Bachrach, Roberto DaSilva, Dennis Thibeault, Lumena Rodrigues

III. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes from February 25, 2020 as written by David Bachrach second by Izilda Fernandes, all in favor

IV. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS Marc Menard: New England Paranormal Society investigation request. Request denied at this time, Commission willing to discuss in the future. Motion to deny by Izilda Fernandes second by Lisa George, all in favor.

### V. CONTINUED BUSINESS

A. Stabilization Phase I – By Tracy Johnson, Carousel Manager Engineered drawing received from both Carousel and Carvings and Geisser Engineering. City's Engineer Erik Skadberg is working on writing the narrative for the RFP. We will need to look at all cost saving options; as of right now, we are paying extra to have the mudsill piers poured one at a time. The engineer from Geisser suggests having all four poured at one time; although this will save time and money, this would require dismantling the ride. Dismantling is a viable option, however I would recommend we include Phase II, as that also requires dismantling the ride - and the dismantle and reassemble is the most expensive part of Phase II.

B. 2020 Fundraising All fundraisers to date have been cancelled with the exception of Pumpkin Festival. Tracy to research safe activities and discuss with event Chair prior to next meeting.

Calendar Raffle: All commission members to collect 2 items or gift certificates. Calendars will be sold in October with winners being pulled once daily in the month of November. Special items for Veterans Day will be provided by Donna McMahon and a Thanksgiving basket will be provided by Lumena Rodrigues.

5k Restoration Run: Will be held virtually, details to be announced soon.

Halloween Movie night: A meeting with the Movie in the Park Sub Committee to discuss logistics and determine if we can host at least one movie night this season.

Custom order Christmas ornament: Orders will be placed and paid for then shipped out to the customer, more details to come.

Restaurant Nights – We will contact the restaurants that normally participate in the Food and Wine Pairing, we can highlight and visit restaurant and share their menus on social media. Once all restaurants have been contacted we will reach out to other restaurants in the area.

Hosting weddings and intimate gatherings for small groups: proceeds to benefit restoration; small wedding ceremonies, dinners, receptions etc.

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. Reopening Under COVID-19 Restrictions/Regulations Safety plan has been created, with a new layout and reservation system. Chemicals are being tested to make sure they are safe for the brass poles and leather belts.

b. 2021 City Budget Reallocation of Gift and Popcorn Stand financial responsibilities to the 501c3, the 501c3 will need to create a budget, all revenue will be designated to continuing restoration. When we reopen it will be with a temporary decrease in hours of public operation, Saturdays and Sundays only, with select Fridays and Holidays. We will host private events and programs Monday thru Friday. This will help to decrease the number of riders as well as greatly decreasing our operational costs.

VII. ADJOURNMENT Motion to adjourn at 8:01pm by Izilda Fernandes second by all in favor.