05/01/25 - Lawrence Community Development - May 2025

6:00pm -- Lawrence Village Hall

Attendance: Phil Glennie, MaryMuday, Andrew Muday, Fern Conklin

Community Development Budget: no discussion

Halloween: Trunk or Treat – Friday **10/31/25** 5 to 7 NO DISCUSSION

Trick or Treat - Friday 10/31/25 5 to 7

Christmas in The Village - December 6 or 13, 2025 NO DISCUSSION

2-4 pm Santa at Library

6:00 Parade

6:30 Light up Christmas tree in Park with Santa

6:30 to 7:30 Hot Choc and cookies at Legion ** was until 8:00 but Fern said empty by 7:30

■ Freedom checking on entertainment for that night

■ Parade from Kalamazoo to go through town approx. 8 to 8:30 -- 2024 came to Lawrence at 7:30

verify at Council meeting with Police and Fire dept

■ Request larger tree for 2025

■ Christmas flyer to come out prior to Thanksgiving

■ Request to have a craft show again if possible **** Marney Santo might do Craft Show *****

■ Encourage house decorating where possible

Music in Park — 2025 booked and in process.

Friends of Library to do ice cream on one day, perhaps gift shop, dog adoption, 4H, food Trucks NO DISCUSSION

History Night – February 13, 2025 to schedule next 2026

New Business: "Taste of Lawrence" *** still discussing merits to local vendors, luke warm response *****

Rene Rodriguez at January 2025 meeting explained "Spoonfuls & Spirits" in March at Paw Paw Lions Club

■ Samples from 9 food vendors/restaurants

- Samples from 3 Wineries, 2 Breweries, 2 coffee shops
- DJ. door prizes
- Awards to 5 businesses
- \$25 admission

Lawrence possible version: \$5 entry, perhaps have DDA subsidize to vendors

1-Fruit Street 2-Freedom Bar 3-Marathon 4-Acapulco 5-Cathys Kitchen 6-Walt & Maries 7-April's Teapot Dome 8-Smokin D's 9-Hendersons

- Local restaurant gift certificates no discussion
- Recognition Day No discussion
- Welcome Wagon Lawrence Community Care & new Tea shop
- Miss Lawrence no candidates for 2025

Adjourned 6:45 pm

Respectively submitted - PJG