

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
COUNTY OF CURRY) ss.

The City of Clovis Cultural & Ethnic Affairs Committee met in regular session at noon, Tuesday, March 21st, 2017 in the small conference room of the Bert Cabiness City Government Center, 321 N. Connelly, Clovis, New Mexico, in full conformity with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the ordinances and resolutions of said city with the following members present:

Mr. Selmus Price, Chairman
Commissioner Ladona Clayton
Mr. Mary Collins
Ms. Virginia Byrd

ABSENT:

Mr. Charles Brown
Mr. Jerry Bailey

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Vicki Reyes, Administration

Mr. Price called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and established the presence of a quorum.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Approval of minutes of January 17, 2017

Ms. Collins made a motion to approve the minutes of January 17, 2017 as presented; Commissioner Clayton seconded the motion.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Discussion regarding July 22, 2017 Ethnic Fair

Mr. Price stated Ssgt. Mccall will be relocating soon since he was getting out of the Air Force. He stated he would like to have someone from the base serving on the committee so that they will have a liaison. The commission suggested adding two more members so that they will have an easier time getting a quorum. Commissioner Clayton stated the commission would probably act on that at the second meeting in April.

Mr. Price stated he has sent 174 save the date postcards. He stated he would like to have a martial arts demonstration this year and would like to find someone local. Ms. Byrd stated they could contact Force of One. Ms. Collins stated there will be a Japanese Internment at the library. Commissioner Clayton stated that would just be an exhibit and not an ongoing event. Ms. Collins stated it would be nice to have them during the Ethnic Fair.

Mr. Price stated there was a souvenir program sold during African American Day in Santa Fe and this committee placed an ad in the program.

Mr. Price stated they could have a competition within the fun run for the organization that had the largest group. If they promote it that way then they may be able to get more participation. The organization with the most will be awarded a plaque. Ms. Collins stated they need to focus on the talent show or do away with it.

Ms. Collins asked who was going to be the MC this year. Mr. Price stated he has not spoken with anyone regarding that yet. He will start looking into that in the near future.

Ms. Collins asked if they could look for someone to lead "We Are the World". Mr. Price stated in the past they have done that and should be able to do it again. He stated they could look for a youth group to sing it and have a praise dance done along with it.

Ms. Collins asked if he was still going to do only one color of t-shirt. Mr. Price stated he was. Mr. Byrd asked if the African drummers would be back this year. Mr. Price stated he is trying to do something different for that workshop but still wants to focus on the youth. Ms. Collins suggested a line dance competition. Ms. Byrd stated they could have a class to teach them line dances and then have them break into groups to compete against each other.

Mr. Price stated he would like to set up a tent for senior citizens to sit and enjoy the event. They could contact the nursing homes who have transportation to get them there and back.

Mr. Price asked Ms. Reyes to speak with Mark Dayhoff about reserving Hillcrest Park and Roy Walker.

Agenda Item No. 5 - For the good of the order

Mr. Price stated the next meeting would be April 18, 2017

Agenda Item No. 6 - Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.