



*City of Bridgeton*  
*Parks & Recreation*  
*Department*

**Terry Briggs**, Mayor  
Brendan Kane, Director

**Special Events Commission Meeting**  
**September 26th, 2022 .**

**Open:** 6:00 PM

**Present:** Carol Chaney, Julie Chase, Dan Volmert, Kim Volmert, Connie Buennemann, Mike Sonderman, Lisa Williams, Gretchen Luke (Ex. Officio), Ashleigh Borgmann (P&R Intern) and Katie Tucker (Secretary)

**Absent:** Delores Mimms, Josie Hudson, Ginger Noblitt, Valerie Corey.

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** The July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, meeting minutes were approved as written.

There was a quorum.

**July 13, 2022, Agenda:**

There was a motion made by Julie C. to approve the evening's agenda. Then there was a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Dan V. 'Ayes' were the majority, approving the evening's agenda.

**Ex-Officio Report:**

Councilwoman Gretchen Luke provided attending members with up-to-date city changes/updates (i.e., update on pan handlers, new businesses coming to Bridgeton, taxes, etc.). She addressed questions and/or concerns from attending members.

Additional information is available via the Bridgeton Banner Newsletter and the city's website located at [www.bridgetonmo.com](http://www.bridgetonmo.com).

**New Business:**

Gretchen advised that a decision needed to be made on who the chairman or co-chairs for the commission would be, or that the commission would become defunct.

**Summary of Old Business:**

Gretchen-

Started the meeting advising that a decision needed to be made on who the chairman or co-chairs for the commission would be, or that the commission would become defunct. We went around the room asking if anyone would want to become chair or co-chair of the commission. No one agreed to become chair or co-chair for commission. At this time the commission members were advised that the commission had become defunct.

Katie-  
We needed to decide on 3 main portions of the parade at this meeting. We voted on Parade Theme. Parade Giveaway, and the Grand Marshal for the parade.

Commission: A group discussion brought up the following ideas:

Parade Theme: Music Throughout the Decades  
Parade Giveaway: Collapsible frisbee w carrying case  
Parade Marshall: Local Radio Hosts

It was also decided to use the frisbee instead of the hand fans, and to still pass out the hand flags as in years before.

Discussion regarding giving out arrival times to parade route happened as well. To help with participants waiting hours prior to the time their entry moves in the parade.

The commission members voiced that they would be willing to help as needed once we started heavy planning on the parade in 2023. A list of members and areas of interest for help was created as well.

Gretchen L. motioned to end the meeting and Katie T. second the motion. 'Ayes' won the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM.

There will be a meeting closer to parade time in 2023 for planning with volunteers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Tucker – Secretary