

**March 25, 2026**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

There being a quorum (8 Commissioners), Polly Oldenburg called the meeting to order at 6:06pm.

Commissioners Present: Polly Oldenburg, Nancy Perkins, Wendy Testin, Marlyene Pfeiffer, Michael Mazzoni, Nancy Bertsch, Kathy Erickson, Marc Meyer.

Commissioners Excused: Lori Doyle, Joe Stibl, Joe Dallman, Sherry Ament.

Also in Attendance: Katie Roth (Recreation Manager), Bob Rafel (Prospect Lions), Bobby Reid (NB Lions) Kathryn Georgoulis (Pie Contest Lead), Gregg (Rosattis).

Abbi Bottom at 6:13pm.

John Schober Arrived at 6:33pm.

**ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** To approve the minutes from February 25, 2026

**VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Marlyene Pfeiffer

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**ITEM:** Monthly Activity and Financial Report

**MOTION:** To approve the Financials as presented.

**VOTE:** Motion by: Nancy Bertsch  
Seconded by: Kathy Erickson

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**Fundraising Update:**

The Commission currently has \$50,490 in secured donations toward the overall event budget of \$112,000, leaving a remaining balance of \$61,510 to be raised.

**Discussion:**

Polly Oldenburg encouraged Commission members to actively seek additional donations and sponsorships from community partners to help close the funding gap.

**Abbi Bottom arrived at 6:13pm.**

## **CELEBRATION 2026**

**ITEM:** Discussion and possible vote on food vendors

**MOTION:** To Approve Los Toxichos Mobile Bar

**VOTE:** Motion by: Marlene Pfeiffer  
Seconded by: Nancy Perkins

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**MOTION:** To Approve Sweet Caroline Corn to Add Smash Burgers to Menu

**VOTE:** Motion by: Marc Meyer  
Seconded by: Kathy Erickson

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**MOTION:** To decline the Schnee Cones application due to a duplicated food category.

**VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Nancy Bertsch

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**MOTION:** To Approve 99 Tasty Easts LLC

**VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Nancy Perkins

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**MOTION:** To Approve all three Small Business Marker Vendors (Veronica Luxe Jewelry, Sandras Creationz, Pri's Jewelry, Twisted Kats Studio)

**VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Nancy Bertsch

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**ITEM:** Discussion and possible vote on additional entertainment options.

**MOTION:** To approve Right of Way Band for the July 4<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm timeslot in the West Tent for \$1,000.

**VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Marlyene Pfeiffer

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**John Schober Arrived at 6:33pm**

**MOTION:** To approve Sarah Quade as Donation Bingo MC for \$175

**VOTE:** Motion by: Nancy Perkins  
Seconded by: Kathy Erickson

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**ITEM:** Discussion and possible vote regarding the National Anthem sung prior to the Drone Show on July 2nd and the Fireworks Show on July 4th.

**MOTION:** To schedule a patriotic song prior to the fireworks and drone show.

**VOTE:** Motion by: Mike Mazzoni  
Seconded by: Nancy Perkins

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**Discussion:**

Polly Oldenburg encouraged the team to explore opportunities to incorporate a Ben Franklin look-alike into festival activities.

**ITEM:** Discussion and possible vote on to approve shuttle bus service on July 2nd and July 4th.

**MOTION:** to Approve Shuttle Bus Service n July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4th

**VOTE:** Motion by: Mike Mazzoni  
Seconded by: Nancy Bertsch

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**ITEM:** Discussion and possible vote to approve funds for the annual pie contest.

**MOTION:** To allocate \$1,000 for supplies for the Pie and Bingo Contests.

**VOTE:** Motion by: **Marlyene Pfeiffer**  
Seconded by: **Nancy Perkins**

**MOTION PASSED: Approved 8-0**

**ITEM:** Discussion and possible vote on parade entries.

**MOTION:** To approve the parade applications for the Jim Madritsch Band (\$750) and the New Berlin Community Band (\$1,000).

**VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Mike Mazzoni

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**ITEM:** Culvers fundraisers scheduled for Monday, May 4th and Monday, June 1st are approved. Both dates will require a minimum of four commissioners to volunteer each night. Arrival at 3:45 and work through 7:00pm. Come dressed to work - cleaning tables

inside and delivering orders both inside and outside. Refer to the Sign-up Genius sent on March 18th.

- ITEM:** Nbfd Pancake Breakfast date
- Pivoting to Brat Fry. Looking at May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at ARC.

**NEXT COMMISSION MEETING DATE**

- ITEM:** The next commission meeting will be on Wednesday April 22, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Willow Room of the ARC, located at 15321 W National Avenue, New Berlin.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting at 7:14pm

- VOTE:** Motion by: Kathy Erickson  
Seconded by: Mike Mazzoni  
**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Katie Roth, Recreation Manager*