

FLAG COMMITTEE MEETING

April 13, 2011

Randy Povey called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Introductions were made, asked if there was any new items to be added to the agenda: the replacement of dirty and torn flags was brought up. The minutes were approved by the committee.

Treasure report has an ending balance of \$2743.73.

We have about 200 more holes than flags. Need to use every other hole on 5th street. Idea for getting more flags is to give flag order forms to Redmond organizations to pass out to members. Order form is also on the website: www.FLAGCITYUSA.us .

The work party was set for May 14th starting at 8am. New holes will be drilled and filled with cement on the North and East islands by 3J Masonry. Centennial Park was discussed as needing holes to be redone. CEC will have a crew with a compressor; will also get 2 more compressors from Hooker Creek and City of Redmond. It was brought up about cleaning the streets after cleaning the holes. Eric Sande will call Chris Doty at the City of Redmond public works department to sweep the streets. The ROTC from Redmond High School will have some students to help out.

We now have two flag trailers and need four more for the distribution and pickup up flags. Ideas for raising fund for the additional trailers were:

- Eric Sande will start a campaign after July 4th to raise fund for flag trailers.

- Send letter to Redmond Kiwanis Foundation for consideration.

 - Redmond Chamber of Commerce 50/50.

 - Grocery stores with the rounding up of your total.

 - RV Rally coming July – maybe they can raise funds.

 - Pappy's Pizzeria pizza night.

It was discussed to build three metalboxes on wheels with ramp and wrench for the big trailer. The correct number of flags for the routes would be placed in them and then loaded into pickup trucks. This way the flags would only be handled once. The project is a co-op with All Position Welding and Redmond High welding class, will have minimal cost, and is temporary fix until we can reach our 6 trailer goal.

Roughly four years ago all the flags were taken off the poles and cleaned. Many of our 1151 flags need to be done again. Some of the flags are 20 years old and need to look at possible replacing the really really dirty ones. There are funds set aside for replacement of flags.

Rob Erbes suggested that the group in charge of the display be responsible for taking 50 dirty flags off the poles, get them cleaned and reattached to their poles by the next display day. The VFW will start this policy Memorial Day. Note: After the meeting, Ford Cleaners & Green Cleaners have volunteered to each clean half our flags at no cost.

There aren't any flags poles at the East and West Islands. The flag committee will offer their support for getting poles for the island. A motion was made by Rob Erbes and seconded by several members to support Dennis Guthrie to approach Redmond City Council on the idea.

Need to think about what the maximum number of flags we want. Our existing goal is to fully display Highland, Glacier, Fifth, Sixth, Evergreen and Centennial Park (approx. 1385 holes).

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm.