



4th of July Parade Meeting Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes from **June 13, 2023**
3. Old Business
4. New Business
 - a. Recap of 2023 Parade and Ideas for 2024
 - i. T-shirt Sales
 - ii. Traffic
 - iii. Awards
 - iv. Other
5. Other Business
6. Next Meeting – To be determined
7. Adjournment

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Notice of Potential Majority of Quorum of the City Council and its Committees

In accordance with the provisions of 5 ILCS 120 (the Illinois Open Meetings Act), notice is hereby given that a majority of a quorum of the West Peoria City Council and its Committees may attend this meeting. This event is designed to discuss City matters according to Committee descriptions.



4th of July Parade Minutes
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Attendees: Members Mayor Dillon, Administrator Krider, City Clerk Barnes, Marilyn Anders, and Dan Morse. Alderpersons Abraham, Corbett, Dohm, and Mathewson, and residents Marlene Carter, Bonnie Farrell, and Fire Chief Terry Schadt also attended. Resident Priscilla Peterson attended remotely.

1. Mayor Dillon called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Marilyn Anders made a motion to approve the minutes of the **June 13, 2023** meeting, seconded by Dan Morse. **Motion carried.**

3. Old Business

a. Recap of 2023 Parade and Ideas for 2024

- i. T-shirt sales: There were 42 T-shirts sold this year. There are still 122 left. The thought is to buy only a few of those sizes that are sold out.
- ii. Traffic: The following suggestions were made for next year's parade:
At the corner of Sterling and Heading there was a bottleneck. Next year parking issues at that corner need to be addressed.
May need a person directing traffic at the corners of Alice and Kenwood before turning onto Ashland.
Perhaps a portable stop sign could be placed at the corner of Ashland and Rohmann.
A note to those using the mobility scooters to make sure they are charged before bringing them to the parade would be helpful.
Those who have "performers" should be informed that their "shows" should be shorter so that they do not impede the progress of the parade.
What about the possibility of a designated "Handicapped" area for parking and taking those needing help closer to the parade route for viewing?
- iii. Awards: It was decided by the group that beginning next year One Medallion per group will be awarded only.
- iv. Other: The Right to Life group handed out baby fetuses and will be asked to refrain from doing so again.
The judges requested that an emphasis be placed on the number of the entry for judging. As a group only one number (#70) was seen. It's helpful because if groups are missing as were this year, or entries get out of order, at least the judges know who they are judging. Perhaps next year the numbers can be given out with a piece of tape for the inside of their vehicle windshields or placed on their floats.
Please request that at sign-in entrants tell which entry they are, not their own names.

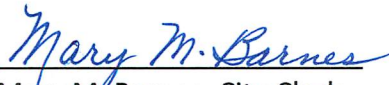
4. Other Business

- a. Question to bring at the beginning of next year's preparations: How is the Grand Marshal chosen? It should not be a popularity contest like it was this year. Someone who works for the City of West Peoria should be chosen as Grand Marshal.
- b. Question: Is it possible for something to happen at the end of the parade after the flag-raising ceremony is over? There seems to be a lot of different parties going on. Volunteers are already tired at the end, so it never seemed to be an idea to pursue.

5. Next Meeting – TBD next year.

6. There being no further business, Marilyn Anders made a motion, seconded by Dan Morse to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 p.m. **The motion carried by voice.**

Respectfully submitted,


Mary M. Barnes, City Clerk

