

CLINTON ROTARY MEETING MINUTES

Sept. 9, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER:

We met Thursday, September 9, 2021 at Grand Apizza in Clinton. The meeting was called to order by President Renee at 6:31 pm.

Welcome visitors and guests: none

Rotary Attendance: Renee Szewczyk, Ruth Baker, Michael Richards, Andy Berliner, Ted Eastwood, Tony Raucci, Maria Varga, Nelson and Angie Vincenty and Andrew Marzano.

Mail/Communications: We received a \$20.00 gift card from Christmas Tree Shops for the Corn Hole Tournament. Also, bank statement from Liberty Bank for our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive, statements from Morgan Stanley and wristbands for the Corn Hole Tournament were also received.

Amendments / Approval of Minutes from Thursday, August 26: Maria made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting, Andy seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion to approve the minutes was passed.

Rotary Minute: Renee shared a Jim Beardsley "Words of Wisdom" from our Rotary cookbook.

II. NEW BUSINESS

Hurricane Ida Relief President Renee asked if anyone heard or read that a need existed that our club could address in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida. Nelson mentioned that in the past, leadership from area clubs in effected regions would make a request or initiate fund raising to provide assistance and meet the needs of those affected.

III. FOLLOW UP

Harry Swaun Pavilion: - no report

Corn Hole raffle: Raffle prizes are still being solicited. Andrew mentioned that additional teams had registered.

Summer Fest 8/28: Ruth, Michael, Renee and Tom volunteered at this year's event. They reported that the event was **very well attended** and all the wine, both red and white went. Some people showed interest in the Corn Hole Tournament too!

IV. FUNDRAISERS:

Corn Hole: see above

Rock Around the Clock: Tony shared a copy of the Sponsorship forms and Sponsorship Thank you letters. He has found a dance company who may be interested in our event. The Dance Corner located in Killingworth responded his request for their support of this event. The dance teacher who may volunteer to assist Tony with developing and performing the dance routine with him is checking her availability and getting back to him. There is an issue with Ticket to Ride Beatle Band who were slated to perform at our event. There are some disagreements within the band and members quitting. Tony is pursuing another Beatle Band with a good reputation and following. He will get back to us with details. Tony has his big fundraiser at Lyman Meadows Orchard and Market this weekend September 11th and 12th to support St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Numerous bands, a craft fair, food trucks and other activities are planned for this very worthwhile event! The weather is supposed to be fabulous!

IV. PROJECTS / SERVICES:

Lego Project from Henry Carter Hull Library: The kick off of the program will be held on October 20th. (Covid, unfortunately delayed this)

Clinton Rotary/Clinton CVFD Food Drives (Liberty Bank): Dates for our annual food drives. They will be October 16/17 and November 20/21, from 9-1 (Times could be adjusted) in the Stop and Shop parking lot. Andrew will be bringing our eye catching Rotary Flags to our Food Drives!
(Feed Our Neighbors is also scheduled on the weekend of October 16, so the membership may be split in their service that weekend).

VII. ADJOURNMENT / 4 WAY TEST:

Meeting was adjourned by President Renee at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria Varga