Oak Park Farmers' Market Commission Meeting Minutes November 13, 2013 Village Hall – Room 101

Present: Chairperson: Jennifer Lowe; Commissioners: Rebekah Braslow, Molly Carson; Warren Bakker, Market Manager: Jessica Rinks

Excused: Commissioners: Aly Schoenfeldt, Bob Melican, Nancy Fjortoft; Farmers' Liaison: Jim Vitalo; Staff Liaison Village Trustee: Ray Johnson; Church Liaison: Jeff Petertil Farmers' Market Staff Liaison: Mike Charley

- 1) Call to Order @ 7:07 pm
- 2) Agenda Approval The Commission approved the agenda.
- 3) Public Comment None
- 4) Approval of Minutes of October 2013 The Commissioners voted to approve the October 2013 minutes with the following corrections: Rebekah's name is misspelled. Molly requests that we list her as Molly Carson (we can leave out the McDonough)
- 5) Administrative Report from staff liaison -
 - Jessica Rinks reported that as far as we know all vendors are returning for 2014.
 - Also, Jessica reported that many vendors expressed that they had a great year and were glad to be a part of the market this year.
 - The Commission discuses Stone Soup and suggest that perhaps next year Maya Del Sol could make more soup, perhaps 4 pots, since we ran out so quickly this year.
 - Jessica reports that she plans to return for the 2014 season and that Assistant Manager Betsy will return. John Owens has declined to return. Marla Blanton is unsure at this time.
- 6) Vendor Liaison Report No Report, Vendor Liaison not in attendance
- 7) Church Liaison Report No Report, Vendor Liaison not in attendance
- 8) Old Business: Because only four Commissioners are in attendance, they decided to table discussion of the ordinance and rules edits till the January meeting.
- 9) New Business:
 - New merchandise will be ordered over the winter to re-stock all items.
 - The end of year vendor survey will be distributed shortly and results will be delivered at the January meeting.
 - The Commission feels that 2013 went well at the market.

- 10) Board Member Comments Ray Johnson was not present.
- 11) Adjourn @ 7:45 pm

Next Meeting Wednesday, January 8th, 2014