

## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 11-12-24, 5:30 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Darel Stuart, Rhonda Gruwell, Jerri Senger, Alica Wildfong, Trevor Stumma, Carrie Tritsch

Meeting was brought to order at 5:30 PM. The minutes from the 10/14/24 meeting were provided by Denise for all to review. The meeting began with an overview of the previous meeting's minutes and action items.

The Chili Cook-Off was reviewed starting with a huge thank you to all the sponsors, volunteers, City employees, Glen Elder American Legion, Food Vendors, Entertainers, Announcers, Attendees and everyone that played any part in making this a successful event!

- Positive feedback from the community, attendees, participants and the City employees.
- Recommendation to have some games or activities for the kids such as Jenga, Cornhole, etc.
- Encouraged to have something more to do during the day for those that aren't participating in the cooking. For example, a community Scavenger Hunt.
- In previous years, there was sidewalk chalk and art competitions.
- Positive feedback on the sponsor signs in each booth. Recommendation was made to have these signs on stakes for ease of visibility.
- For the luncheon, recommended not doing chili as the attendees were looking for lunch options other than chili.

The profit for the Chili Cook-Off was around \$1,000, which included the Glen Elder T-shirt Sales and donations from Stortz Stop 'N Shop from the sales of hot chocolate and popcorn.

Discussion was held on having the Chili Cook-Off on a consistent weekend every year to allow people to plan attendance on a consistent date. Consider the first Saturday in October and partnering with the Waconda Indian Festival. That would allow both events to encourage attendance for next year, complimenting and perhaps increasing both event's attendance. Further discussion will be needed with the Waconda Indian Festival organizers.

Trunk-or-Treat went well with strong attendance and ticket sales for the Glen Elder Christmas Lighting Raffle went well during the Trunk-or-Treat.

Christmas Lighting was reviewed to ensure volunteers are committed for the various activities. Cookie Donations have been received and the cookies can be brought to the Christmas Lighting on Saturday, 11/30/24 or to Cunningham's by 11/27/24. Assistance is needed for decorating the Library on Friday, 11/29/24 at 4:00 PM.

Carrie made a motion to pay the Library \$150 for the use of the facility for the Christmas Lighting which would equate to \$75 for 2024 and \$75 for the use of the room in 2023. Jerri seconded. Motion passed.

Letters will be sent out next week for the Kids Shopping that is scheduled for December 12-14. Setup for Kids Shopping would be on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Denise made a motion to donate \$100 to the Solomon Community Foundation. Rhonda seconded. Motion passed.

The next meeting will be Monday, 2/10/25 at 5:30 PM. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the next meeting on February 10<sup>th</sup>:

- 2025 Donation Letters
- Calendar of Events for 2025
- Scholarship Applications due April 2025

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.