

# Committee Minutes

FOR THE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE'S  
"Special Events" 2025 Committee  
OF THE VILLAGE OF ORLAND HILLS  
For January 7, 2025 (7:00 PM)

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**CHAIRMAN HASTINGS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT:** at 7:32pm

**ROLL CALL:** CHAIRPERSON HASTINGS II [ A ]

**Members:** Mayor Hastings [ A ] Tuma [ P ] Klukis [ A ] O'Neill [ P ] Roti [ P ]  
Schmidt [ P ] Kissane [ P ] Morrison [ A ] Petrey [ P ] Iannantone [ P ]  
Blaha [ A ] Hanley [ P ] Haleem [ A ] Radney [ P ] Leddin [ A ]  
Kowalski [ A ]

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1.) A motion to approve the Committee Minutes dated December 10, 2024 as presented.

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Klukis \_\_A\_\_ Kissane \_\_P\_\_ O'Neill \_\_P\_\_ Roti \_\_P\_\_ Schmidt \_\_P\_\_ Morrison \_\_A\_\_  
Petrey \_\_P\_\_ Iannantone \_\_P\_\_ Hanley \_\_P\_\_ Blaha \_\_A\_\_ Haleem \_\_A\_\_ Leddin \_\_A\_\_  
Radney \_\_P\_\_

**2. Party in the Park 2025:**

Saturday Band for 7:15pm-9:15pm, still looking for a band for this time slot.

Fireworks contract- still negotiation contract price with Mad Bombers is currently at  
\$37,500)

- Looking for potential sponsorships to offset
- Looking into other companies for their prices

**3. Discussion on Upcoming 2025 Holiday Events:**

**a.) Holiday Happenings:**

Santa Coming to Town & Winter Wonderland (Sat. 12/6/25)

Princesses (See Contract), Grinch (\$25/hour price increase) committee was good with the potential price increase and we have the Grinch on reserve already. We are looking to add Buddy the Elf (See Contract); committee was good with all characters and if Buddy the Elf is as good as the Grinch would be a great asset to add to Winter Wonderland.

Final 2024 Winter Wonderland expenses will be finalized this month.

Princesses is the same price as this year (\$1,595)

If we added Buddy the Elf with the Princess it would be (\$2,210)

Grinch is potentially increasing hourly fee by \$25 and he would cost \$200/hr. versus \$175/hr. the increase decision hasn't been finalized yet. He is on reserve for both the winter wonderland and Breakfast with Santa.

This is just informational and “Save the Date”

- Polar Express
  - (December 13<sup>th</sup>) – it was asked if we could potential have assigned seats/cars; we can look into this.
  
- Santa Parades
  - Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> 6PM-8PM
  - Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> 6PM-8PM
  - Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 5PM-7PM
  
- Breakfast with Santa (12/20/25)

**4. Discussion on 2025 Events:**

Event Calendar - Staff will be working on creating an event calendar this month to include new summer events such as “Movies on the Green”, Food Trucks, and more.

It was asked if we could look into using a “Google” calendar; it was noted we can look into this as well.

**5. Other – Miscellaneous:**

Nothing

6.) A motion to adjourn at [ 7:37 ] o'clock p.m.

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Leddin \_\_A\_\_ Radney \_\_Y\_\_