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To: Kathy Schmitz
Subject: Resignation

Hi Kathy,

This message is to inform you that I am resigning from the Happy Days Volunteer Committee. The main reason being is that I do not agree with how funds have been spent for the event.

Examples:

1. Spending a great deal of money more for a band when funds were already down. I do not think that the band is the main attraction for this type of event.
2. Spending \$13,000 for installing "permanent" electricity. Future use for the area where the electrical installation is to be installed has not even been determined yet, which indicates that installing electricity at this time may need to be relocated in the future. Also, once the electrical installation is completed, the city will be paying monthly services charges, in addition to the \$13,000 installation costs, versus \$3,500 to run generators for the event.
3. Removing committee member Tim Dwyer. Tim was committed and beneficial to providing input and needs for this event.
4. Pressure on Volunteer Committee members to procure donations/sponsorships even though these members do not have the authority to direct how the funds are spent.

I have admitted that I have not been able to attend each meeting, and have apologized for this. However, it is my understanding that the above examples were not directed by the Volunteer Committee members. This is my first time for volunteering for a project like this. Unfortunately, it is not what I had expected. I cannot allow myself to participate in spending the taxpayer's money loosely, when services that would be more beneficial are not being provided. I personally have seen how wasteful spending has negatively affected our community.

I am sincerely sorry for any inconveniences that my resignation may cause. I hope that the Happy Days event is successful and enjoyed by many in the community.

Donna Prueher