

Prairie Village VillageFest 2026
Committee Meeting
Thursday April 23, 2026, 5:30 p.m.
Multipurpose Room – PV City Hall

Attendees

Amber Fletcher	Chair
JD Kinney	PV Special Events Coordinator
Nancy Stoms	Community Member
Toby Fritz	Community Spirit Awards

Committee Chair's Report

The 2027 VillageFest budget request was unanimously approved at the City Council Meeting on April 20.

Pancake Breakfast

Because many of the volunteers from Old Mission Lodge are unable to lift the 5 gallon water coolers or the coffee cambros, it was requested that a Public Works staff member be dedicated to beverages for the duration of the breakfast.

Patriotic Program

Margo Mikkelson will sing the National Anthem.

Spirit Awards

A Lifetime Spirit Award nomination has been received and is being evaluated

KS National Guard History Display and National Guard Vehicles

No update

PV History Display

75th Anniversary = Steve Noll TBD

Vendors and Exhibitors

Nancy Stoms to contact Clementine's in the Village Shops and Velvet Crème Popcorn about being VillageFest vendors.

Live Entertainment and Attractions

Thorni Ridge Exotics, contract received and signed

AAA tent rental same as 2025. Order pending.

KC Wolf – Price increase to \$750. Will book when appropriate but have contacted to reserve date.

Fire Department Bucket Truck – TBD CFD-2

Children’s Craft Area – PV Arts Council is considering doing the children’s craft

Hillcrest Covenant Church confirmed to do a children’s craft in their own tent as they have done the last couple years.

The Little Village – Bubbles received

Slip n Slide – TBD

Bike Parade TBD

Pie Contest

Judges lined up (9) . Compostable clamshells for distributing samples, pie plates for engraving, winners’ ribbons and paper flags all receive. Film for the camera or photo paper TBD

Giveaways – We will use up the string bags we have. Splash balls for mayor/bucket truck distribution received.

Staff/volunteer tshirt design reviewed and input collected.

75th Anniversary Swag Sales

City proposes having the Clerk’s office open during VillageFest to sell 75th Anniversary merchandise.

Infrastructure

Petting zoo tents to be ordered in May.

Credit Card terminals to be ordered in May.

Info Tent/Lost & Found/First Aid

TBD

Marketing

Sign Gypsies “Happy 4th of July – VillageFest 2026” on the hill below the PD entrance Contact Add 75th Anniversary/250th USA TBD

Mission Road Banners – Light pole banners go up after Juneteenth

New Park Vinyls – Designed for 5 year use TBD

World Cup banners will be added to the 75th Street SME fence. Depending on fit, we may not put up the VillageFest banner at that location after Juneteenth.

The next VillageFest Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 28, 2026, at 5:30 pm.

The meeting concluded at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: J.D. Kinney