

Muddy River Music Fest Coming To Atchison

(KAIR)--Plans are being put in place for an Atchison Riverfront music festival, with a funding request for the event made during Monday evening's meeting of the Atchison City Commission.

The request was made by local musician, and business owner, Scott Weinmann, who outlined the plans for the Muddy River Music Festival. "I am working with Jacque at the Chamber, to plan this event," Weinmann told the Commission. "We estimate to bring in 2,500 to 3,000 people to the riverfront for this event. We will be working in conjunction with the Humane Society as they also are having events in the Independence Park parking lot...same day, same time. It's a free, family-friendly activity for all citizens of Atchison and surrounding communities. Also will increase tourism and just better use of the riverfront, which I feel is very under utilized."

Following questions from Commissioners regarding the event, Mayor Allen Reavis spoke, voicing support for the possibility of providing the \$5,000 requested by Weinmann. However, he said the Commission would not make an immediate decision, needing to take the matter under consideration to explore how such funding should be structured.

The Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce has already budgeted \$6,000 for the one day festival, planned for September 16.

According to Weinmann, a variety of musical styles are expected to be represented by a projected 6 bands for the main stage. Four other bands will be featured on a smaller stage, while other local acts perform on additional stages.

Approximately 75 art vendors would also be included as part of the day.

The goal is make the festival an annual event in Atchison.

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