



Staff Report

Agenda Item: Horse Drawn Carriage Agreement between Jackie Odom and the Town of Clarkdale Special Event Extension to the Hours of Operation - Approval of a one-time extension to the of hours of operation for carriage rides to 12:30 a.m. on January 1, 2008 for the Town's New Year's Eve Celebration on December 31, 2007.

Staff Contact: Dawn Norman, Parks and Recreation Supervisor

Meeting Date: December 18, 2007

Background: Parks and Recreation is hosting a New Year's Eve Celebration on December 31, 2007 from 8 PM to 12:30 AM. It is our goal to provide Clarkdale residents the opportunity to gather with family and neighbors and bring in the New Year in a safe environment. This will be a fun-filled, family oriented, non-alcoholic, good old fashioned party. Tickets must be purchased to attend the event and are available at a minimal cost. Ticketholders are entitled to take part in all activities scheduled throughout the evening, including the many forms of entertainment: music and dancing, games and prizes, a jolly jumper, crafts, horse carriage rides and special performances by local performers.

Council approved the operation of the carriage rides provided by Jackie Odom to function between the hours of 10 AM to 9 PM at the August 14, 2007, Regular Council Meeting. Parks and Recreation request that Council extend the horse drawn carriage rides hours of operation to 12:30 AM. Doing so would allow residents to enjoy this activity throughout the entire evening of events. There will be no additional charge to ticketholders for the horse drawn carriage rides as it is included in the event ticket price. The horse drawn carriage route will take riders through the holiday illuminated streets, around Town Park, and then back to the Clubhouse.

Recommendation: To approve the one time special event extension of hours of operation for the horse drawn carriage company to 12:30 a.m. (01/01/2008) for the December 31, 2007, New Year's Eve Celebration.