

Fourth of July Meeting Minutes

8/2/2017

In attendance: Bob Ward, Doug Phelps, Jane Slayton, Donna French, Betty Adams, Shawna Otis, Wood Sutton, Judy Perrault, Beth Frost, Mike Evelyth

With one correction, Beth made a motion to accept the June meeting minutes. Judy seconded. All in favor.

Wood shared the treasury report. There is a loss of \$4,208.00. Non-profits and ad subscribers are still submitting payments. Donna made a motion to accept treasurer's report. Beth seconded. All in favor.

Wood made a motion that the Explorers be paid \$100.00 for their assistance parking cars on the 4th. Judy seconded. All in favor.

The committee discussed successes and potential improvements to this year's celebration. The village green, raffle, parade, and slide show all went well. The committee agreed to advertise the Children's Parade to encourage more participants. Doug would like to convert the slide show to a digital format. No parking signs are needed to delineate green space for vendors. There should be kids' activities in the evening to encourage people to stay longer. A registration check list will be created to ease confusion in the parade line up. Specific criteria need to be developed for judging the animals.

Shawna Otis introduced herself as a new member of the committee.

Judy noted that getting subscribers for ads in the booklet was more effective than past fund raising efforts. She would like to provide space for the recognition of veterans in next year's booklet.

Jane suggested that movie night should be advertised better. Shawna noted that we should explore alternative options for movies and holding the movie in the amphitheater.

The Tommy and Friends train ride was located too far away from the green. The committee agreed to discuss alternative locations.

There is a need for transportation for parade staff; Doug will contact Proctor to see if they will help with this.

Betty has agreed to contact The Clydesdale organization to see if they will participate in next year's parade.

Mike requested effective signs for the parade lineup, as well as, the length of floats on the registration form.

Tasks that need to be completed right away include: hiring bands and a fireworks company.

Wood made a motion that each member of the committee, who would like one, receive a complimentary copy of The Photo Book. Doug seconded. All in favor.

Bob resigned as chairman. He will continue to setup the reviewing stand, send Donna a list of bands, setup Fire Works, put up no parking signs on Lawrence Street and handicapped spaces, and write the town report, and dedication.

Bob made a motion that Doug take the chairman's position. Beth seconded. All in favor.