4th July Committee Minutes 2/2/22

Meeting opened by Doug at 7 PM. Members present: Doug P, Kevin G, Wood S, Alita P, Christine F, Beth F, Donna S, Jane S, Jen B, Judy P.

Doug reported that, with all our current plans, we will be spending about \$7,000 more than we will take in this year; but we have money in the bank (\$22,000 approx).

A motion was made by Wood that we only ask the Town for the \$10,000 we were previously approved for. Motion seconded by Doug and all were in favor.

Wood announced that he will not be moving from Andover after all and would be willing to continue as our Treasurer. Jen nominated Wood for Treasurer and Donna seconded. All voted in favor.

The minutes from our last meeting in November were reviewed. Motion made by Judy to accept and seconded by Alita. All voted in favor.

Judy still cannot find her bag with all the raffle info in it. Donna will text Betty to see if she can recreate at least part of the list for Judy to put on the board for sale of raffle tickets at Town Meeting.

Parade Status:

Muchachas - Tentative OK

Mini Cars - Yes

Kearsarge Community Band - Yes

Train - Yes (It was suggested we pay him \$50 more bringing that cost to \$400; all in favor) School/Citizenship - Principal will do this

Donna will ask Principal Dobe if he would walk in the parade with the 8th grade graduates.

Donna is still looking into steel drum bands; she has found a few but they are very expensive. Wood told her about one, Tropical Sensations Steel Drum Band out of Keene. Jen messaged them.

Green:

Keith Barrett will do the sound again (we pay him)

Also, the benefit concert is a go on Thursday, June 9th

Bands: Texas Troubadours (blue grass)

Porta Potties reserved (being donated by Byrons at no cost to us....\$1,000+)

Shawn sent us ideas for kids....great but no one to run them so far. Doug will try to get people to staff. Alita said she will help. We don't need to decide yet.

Judy suggested someone sell balloons; it would be a money maker

Wood suggested asking people at Town Meeting to sign up to help on the 4th

Doug will ask the Historical Society if they would like to do something on the Green

Judy asked Doug about selling raffle tickets at the Town Meeting. Doug said yes to that.

Booklets & Programs:

The "Dream Team" (Jen & Christine) have come up with a new idea. They will draft a letter to be sent out to all the sponsors/ad people announcing that a member will be calling on them asking for ads. Judy suggested they include a copy of the last ad in the letter. We decided that we will not increase the ad cost. A copy of the letters and lists will be available to us all at the next (March) meeting.

Fireworks: We are all set (signed up)

Carr Field:

Rick will set up. Doug needs to call Bryson to be sure he knows he is NOT to come!

Glow sticks: Sell again? Or give them away?

Jen reported that the wife of Kenny Grant (a teacher at AEMS) is a graphic artist and she is going to make an 80th celebration sticker for us.

Judy asked what we will do about vendors running out of food. Doug will ask them to stock more. Also we need a hotdog booth. Shawna is going to ask for one on FB.

The Lions Club will do the pancake breakfast.....but will need helpers!

Wood made a motion that we approve the committee spending what they need to spend, with Doug's approval, to advertise our celebration. Jen seconded.. All in favor.

Kevin will sell hotdogs on the Green and on Carr Field if no other non profit comes forward. He'll do the Dole trailer there too & popcorn. He'll need some helpers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Frost, Secy'