# July 4th Committee Minutes 6/1/22

Members present were Doug Phelps, Shawna Otis, Christine Frost, Donna Smith, Alita Phelps, Judy Perreault, Beth Frost, Wood Sutton, Jane Slayton and Kevin Goodwin.

TO DO's:

Jane - Rene's dedication is all done

Lynn - She sent in the proof and it is all set

Jen - Not sure if she has followed up with Levi about antique cars (not at meeting; chaperoning 8th grade class trip)

Beth - Beth contacted Margo Coolidge and told her that we have a student to sing the National Anthem and we would like Margo & Nancy Tripp to sing a patriotic medley as before. Margo said she would if she could but not sure; later called back to say that she can't sing as she will be away for a burial ceremony for her sister who died. She will contact Nancy to see if Nancy is willing to sing a medley. Beth will also call Nancy as hasn't heard back from Margo.

Wood - It's a NO for Naughty Nellie and ice cream.

Doug - Recycle cans are all set. He hasn't confirmed with Proctor yet about golf car for parade lineup but will do. Also to make sure the building is open for use of bathrooms.

Donna - She still hasn't connected with Mariah about the oxen. But she did connect with Rene Wesoja and she is a YES for herself and animals (oxen and others, cow). She is also planning to ride one of her cows in the parade.

Alita - Glow sticks ordered (variety of sticks, bracelets and necklaces). Should be here by June 20th

# **MEETING AGENDA:**

Fire Chief nor police chief came to meeting.

## **Program booklet:**

Most turned in their canvass sheets to Christine.

We worked out the schedule for the back page. It will read as follows:

7-10 AM Lion's Pancake Breakfast - AEMS

7-11 AM Oxen Demo - Behind AEMS

8 AM - 5 PM Festival on the Village Green; food, crafts, books & games

8-9 AM Firecracker 5K Race Registration, Blackwater Field

9 AM Firecracker K Race, Northern Rail Trail (rain or shine)

10 AM Opening Ceremonies, Reviewing Stand

Flag Raising by American Legion Post #101

Pledge of Allegiance

10-11 AM Judging of Parade Entries

Closest to the Pin (????? Waiting to hear about this)

10:30-11:15 Kearsarge Community Band, Village Green11:45 Children's Parade Forms, Andover Fire Station

Noon National Anthem sung by Bria Tremblay
Patriotic Medley sung by Nancy Tripp

Parade starts from Proctor Academy Field House

1 PM (after parade) HillbillyScramble - Men's Softball Game at Blackwater Park 1-5 PM Music: Bluegrass and Folk Bands on the Village Green

5 PM Women's Softball Game at Blackwater Park

Dusk Fireworks, viewable from Carr Field

Rain date for selected events is July 9 (see page 2)

The inside of the program will be the same.....dedication, history etc.

## **Free Concert:**

Thursday, June 9, 6 PM

Alita will make donation boxes

Kevin will sell refreshments

Doug has sign from last year & will put it out on Friday (the 3rd)

Shawna will check with Jen & put out posters

#### **Parade Status:**

A few floats already signed up

Some antique cars signed up

Livestock: oxen & Rene's animals

Not sure about who, if anyone, will ride in stagecoach (Donna needs the form)

Wood said he will stop the parade to let the Children's Parade in

Regarding Mike & Michelle to line up parade - not sure - still working on.

Steve Smith still needs a helper with announcing

The train won't be coming after all because the man isn't feeling well. He actually wants to sell the train. Judy will ask Gail Richards about another train she thinks is coming to the Historical fair in August.

Donna checked into ordering Prize ribbons and participation ribbons for the kids. Cost will be \$599 but the ribbons will last for at least 2 years maybe 3. Doug made a motion to authorize Donna to spend this amount; Jane seconded. We all agreed that she should order them. She will need a check to pick them up. Wood told her to let him know details and he will get the check from Alex Estin (our fund manager).

# Citizenship Kids

The kids were planning to walk but Wood thinks we should find some sort of vehicle to carry them....a truck, antique car, fire truck or jeep. He will work on this.

## **Bagpipes**

Kevin reported that on Concord Bagpipes website it says it costs \$200 each for a bagpiper. At first we agreed to pass on this for this year but then after discussion it was decided to have Kevin check into it and see if we can hire one or two bagpipers to march in the parade not to exceed \$500. They MUST march or we don't want them. Doug made motion and Wood seconded to have Kevin do this. All in favor.

#### **Town Green Activities:**

Shawna said she and her mom can run the three inflatables along with her games

Registration status - it's slow

Ragged Mt Band and Bluegrass are for sure

The legion will do flag raising and we have new flag

National Anthem & medley - all set

Need trash bags

Recycle containers - all set

Shawna - Kid Games - She has a variety of games and will have 4 categories: Under 5, 5-10, 11-15, and 16+. She was worried about prizes and suggested coupons for free hotdogs and/or popcorn. Kids would take coupons too Kevin. He'll save and later give to committee and we will pay for them. All agreed this was a good plan.

Car Field Activities

NO ice cream

Slideshow - Doug will set up

Selling hotdogs & popcorn - Kevin needs at least 2 more people. Alita volunteered to help before she has the kids parade

Cornhole Tournament on the Green is a go. Herbie has it under control. It will be in memory of his grandson, Jake, who died in a car accident a year or more ago. Will donate money to local causes

## **Financial Status**

We have \$23,285.93 in the bank. We have \$10,000 due us from the town towards fireworks.

#### **Fundraising**

Judy brought raffle tickets to sell and passed some out. We have many prizes. We will have banner to advertise our sponsors

The minutes from the last meeting in May were looked over. Judy made motion to accept and Wood seconded. All voted to accept the minutes with one exception: Delete the line about having grilled cheese on Carr Field. No one remembers that and we don't have anyone doing it as of now.

It was decided we should meet again before the 4th so we will meet on Wednesday, June 29 at Hub at 7 PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM Respectfully submitted, Beth Frost, Sec'y