

Tricentennial Meeting 3/30/2021

Members in Attendance:

Beth Taylor

Cheryl Sadowski

Vicki Schwery

Diana Ingraham

Tammy Daigneault

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm

Secretary Minutes from 3/8/2021. were emailed prior to the meeting and reviewed. Motion made by Beth to approve the minutes and Cheryl Second the motion.

Treasurer's report

Total is \$20,076.15 as of 3/30/2021. Cheryl sent the budget to Tracy and Tracy asked if this was the total budget or if this was what we were asking for above the fundraising money. The Selectman were thinking of contributing up to \$20,000.00. Cheryl mentioned that perhaps they would have to pay for State Troopers if needed for the fireworks.

Audience of Citizens:

None

Old Business:

Vicki spoke with Melinda Bryan tonight before the meeting. Melinda is planning a fishing derby but not advertising it because of the difficulties she had getting the event set up. Melinda also talked about the cornhole tournament with Vicki. The YSB is planning a morning tournament for kids and the Rec Committee is planning one for adults in the afternoon. Melinda will confirm after their next meeting with more concrete plans.

The Recreation Committee is going to donate funds for two port-a-potties.

The Voluntown PTO said they are having difficulties coming up with games that are COVID friendly. They came up with a basketball shooting game and tattoos. Plus they will have prizes for the basketball game. Suggestion made to contact other groups to come up with games.

Vicki is working with a bounce house group. She had questions about COVID practices with the bounce hours and if they provide someone.

Living History Groups: Met with the Crew of the Mermayde on Saturday 3/27 and to look at the field. Good conversation was had about what they are going to demonstrate. Discussion had for setup on Friday afternoon and breakdown would be Sunday afternoon. Cheryl sent an email to all living history groups to ask what or if they would do a demonstration. She also included the hold harmless form.

Cheryl had only heard from Big Bear and Crew of the Mermayde. While at the field on Saturday the members who attended discussed Greg Webster's request for his camp placement. It was decided we could accommodate. Vicki to contact Greg. Tammy will look provide a water buffalo and a truck to hold the water for the groups to use. Also, will need to get wood delivered by Friday midday. Cheryl will contact Paul Banner for wood.

Clean up day on 4/24: Beth to ask Ronnie to put a note on the town board for the clean up day and the celebration day. Cheryl has asked the school administration to put the flyer for clean up day in the newsletter up through the day before. Beth will confirm with Tracy about the Town furnishing the gloves and trash bags and ask how we are to dispose of the trash. Eagle Eye still scheduled to take a picture.

Vicki to schedule periodic posts on FaceBook about both events.

Vendors confirmed: Sisu Finn Soaps, Knives and Roses, Chelsey Weise. Maybe a Pampered Chef person as well. Vicki will post again on Facebook to ask groups to have table.

Food Trucks: Ice Cream, Mexican, BBQ. Will be arriving around 8:30am Saturday morning.

Cheryl will forward the email with the information for the town newsletter for distribution on 4/1.

Tammy picked up \$90 from calendar sales. Tammy still has calendars around town.

Tammy called Jim and asked for the contact information for the woodsman group, the antique machinery, the shingle guy and whoever else. He will email. Beth will call Steve Yeaw and Gibby Ingalls. Cheryl will call Ryan Verdefe.

Bird of Prey can be on the stage if we get one.

Diana is working on the program. She suggested the size of the font will get smaller if we add more. She said she could try to make it bigger by using bigger paper. The programs can be printed at the town hall. Beth can order paper through the town. Maybe something that will look antique-like, like parchment paper. Beth will look with Julie and order some.

New Business: Tammy suggested having a volunteer meeting a few days before and give out jobs. The committee thought was a good idea.

We should advertise in Norwich Bulletin and The Day and radio stations. Cheryl will investigate. We do have money in the budget. Tammy will make a flier to hang around town and in local businesses to promote the celebration.

Vicki was wondering if we had any historical items for display. Cheryl will contact Jen Panko to see what they can display.

Lists:

Things Volunteers can help with:

More kids games – Dean Wittwer Vicki to email

Monitors for bounce houses

People to clear for cannon shots

People to assist with set up and breakdown of vendors, machinery and food trucks. – machinery leave by 5:30pm. Food trucks leave by 7pm. Need to assist with crowd control to ensure no one gets hurt.

Garbage disposal - Beth to check with Tracy – Boy Scouts will confirm with Julie

Call before you dig – Beth to remind Tracy

Clean up on Sunday

COVID Police

COVID Cleanup

Things to buy:

Cleaning wipes – Beth to ask Julie to order

Bottles of hand sanitizer – Beth to ask Julie to order

Gloves – Beth to ask Julie to order

Bottled water – Vicki to ask Town Grille to donate

Things to order:

Port-a-potties – one handicap for the living history group and a handwashing group. Two groups of port-a-potties; one handicap and one regular plus a handwashing station. - Vicki

Traffic Control - Vicki

Power for band – Vicki to ask Belinda

Stage - Vicki

Bounce Houses - Vicki

Contact band – Vicki

Ask Tracy if she contact the state Rep's and get a proclamation - Beth

Opening Ceremony:

Vicki to ask Bill Lachapelle for contact info for the Baptist Church Pastor for an opening benediction.

National Anthem – Ashley Laferriere

Color Guard???

MC???

Arrival between 12:00 and 5:00 on Friday and Saturday setup is 7:00am and 9:00am

Next meeting is Tuesday April 13 at 6:00pm

Motion to adjourn at 8:30pm by Tammy and second by Cheryl. Ayes have it.