

Town of Boscawen
Old Home Day
Meeting Minutes - FINAL
Municipal Office Complex
August 12, 2019 6:00 pm

Members Present: Polly Dawson – President, Lyman Cousens, Lori Bernard, Rhoda Bergeron, Kim Kenney and Lorrie Carey – Ex-Officio

Members Absent: Matt Lampron, Bev Lacoey, Laura Lane, Sue Kilgus

Others Present: Peter Dodge – American Legion, Christopher Yellen - Resident, Katie Phelps – Finance & Recording Secretary

Polly Dawson called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

Peter Dodge reviewed with the Committee who they would have at the parade representing the American Legion and what order they would be in. The first float will have posters and pictures of Veterans. There will also be a fishing derby float with children organized by David Boudrias. Mr. Dodge expects 8-10 Merrimack Valley students to assist, however, he is still waiting on confirmation. Mr. Dodge says the Legion has sold about 30 yellow ribbons so far. The ribbons will be on the floats and vehicles as well. He would like to bring the float down to Welch Field. Discussion ensued about where they could park the float.

Lorrie Carey asked if there is a traffic control plan. Polly said no. Lorrie said the only person who has volunteered for traffic control is Ed Cherian. Polly thought she remembered the police agreeing to do some of it during one of the Selectmen’s meetings. Lorrie mentioned that she did ask the police and that they were not planning to do traffic control.

Christopher Yellen made a proposal to have corn hole at Old Home Day. He has two sets of boards and would set it up in such a way that there would be different distances to the board and it would be appropriate for all ages. He would like to do a free raffle as well to give away one of the corn hole board sets. The Committee discussed where to set up and what time.

Motion made by Rhoda Bergeron to recommend Mr. Yellen’s proposal to the Board of Selectmen for corn hole and to run a free raffle at Old Home Day for a corn hole board set, seconded by Lori Bernard. All in favor. None opposed.

Lorrie Carey mentioned that Sarah Gerlack would bring the leftover chicken barbeque tickets to the Town Hall on Friday night.

Review and Acceptance of Prior Meeting Minutes:

The Committee reviewed the meeting minutes from July 15, 2019. Rhoda Bergeron stated that “Linda” should be changed to “Rhoda” in the list of members present.

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Motion to approve the minutes as amended made by Kim Kenney, seconded by Lori Bernard. All in favor. None Opposed.

Financial Report:

Members reviewed the balance sheet, profit and loss statement, and detailed reports of all checks written from and deposits made to the Old Home Day account this fiscal year to date.

Kim Kenney questioned where they came in for entertainment. Katie Phelps stated they came in under budget for entertainment by about \$300.00.

Committee discussed “No Tipping” signs for vendors that were paid for by the Committee. It was decided not to allow tipping years ago and signs were made. Not all members were in agreement with this. They agreed to make signs saying “Free Entertainment Sponsored By: _____” Tipping will be left up to the individual.

Motion to accept the financial reports as presented made by Lori Bernard, seconded by Rhoda Bergeron. All in favor. None opposed.

Old Home Day Details:

Katie will make copies of the Old Home Day program to bring to the Park Program and also email to Barbara Huckins at Boscawen Elementary School to send out a blast email to parents.

Kim Kenney is working on a map of the park. Committee discussed locations for certain things. Touch-A-Truck (Fire, EMS, Police) will need to be able to get out should an emergency arise. The inflatables are scheduled from 12-5pm. Other vendors are 12:30-4:30pm.

The Committee discussed vendors at Old Home Day. Rhoda recalls voting not to have vendors there and there has been confusion in the past. Matt Lampron is having someone come to sell items. It is no cost to the Committee.

There will be another raffle for an autographed picture. Rhoda Bergeron will drop off raffle tickets to the Town Office. There will need to be a raffle permit – first and last tickets need to be turned in.

Kim Kenney questioned if anyone had contacted NH Bituminous to ask permission to use their parking. Last year she contacted Bruce Davis. No one has done it yet but that would be a good idea. Kim will reach out to them.

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Committee discussed the possibility of having the volunteers from the Homestead Inn doing parking for the event. They could wear orange vests to be more visible.

The Committee discussed pricing for food. The suggestion was made to have pricing on the dollar to eliminate the change. There will be a double counter to start and finish. Alan Hardy will bring the cash bag back to the Town Office to hold until Monday morning. Rhoda mentioned she had made change with her own money. Katie said we should be doing petty cash out of the Old Home Day account instead of members using their own money for that. Someone will be with the cash at all times and it will be in a lock box.

The craft fair deposit will be paid this week. The signs will say Rundlett but there will be Abbott Downing below it seeing the location has changed. Abbott Downing isn't as big as Rundlett.

Golf Tournament:

We've taken in a little over \$7,000 to date. Lyman doesn't expect that we'll make \$10,000. There are 8 foursomes that have paid and at least two more that are pending. He's hopeful for 15 teams but only anticipates 12. The sponsorships are going well, he plans to visit GMI to see if they would be willing to sponsor. There are a lot of door prizes. Kim has done a wonderful job.

The signs have been put up on Main Street but the grass hasn't been mowed. Also, he's not sure if they need to be removed prior to paving. Lyman also put up signs on Route 3.

Motion to adjourn made by Lyman Cousens and seconded by Lori Bernard. All in favor, none opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48pm.

The next meeting of the Old Home Day Committee will be Monday, September 16, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Boscawen Municipal Complex – 4th floor meeting room.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katie Phelps