

Town of Boscawen
Old Home Day
Meeting Minutes
Municipal Office Complex
December 16, 2019 6:00 pm

Members Present: Polly Dawson – President, Lori Bernard, Lyman Cousens, Kim Kenney, Laura Lane, Bev Lacey, Lorrie Carey – Ex-Officio

Members Absent: Rhoda Bergeron, Sue Kilgus

Others Present: Suzanne Dukette

Polly Dawson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Old Business

Polly Dawson opened the meeting and discussed Old Home Day membership. Suzanne Dukette is interested in becoming a member of the Old Home Day Committee. All are in favor of Suzanne Dukette becoming a member. Lyman Cousens and Bev LaCoy will represent the OHD nomination to the Board of Selectmen at their next meeting on December 19th. Sadly, Rhoda Bergeron will no longer be able to attend OHD meetings due to long term illness, but she would like to keep in touch in the event she may be able to come back and help at some time in the future. All comment on Bergeron's long record of service to OHD.

Dawson asked for approval of the minutes of November 18th. **Cousens moves and Carey seconds approval of the minutes as presented. All in favor.**

Dawson discussed the November craft fair and shares that there is no final update yet due to outstanding charges made via credit card. The credit card statement has not been received. Expenses include \$25 gift card for a raffle prize; \$62.48 in food costs, \$5.58 in condiments, \$6 in soda for a total of \$74.06. Three dozen Brothers Doughnuts were donated. Food profit came to \$406.24 provided there are no other expenses.

The raffle proceeds are still being calculated. The three raffles came to approximately \$854, but the total will need to be double checked with the Finance Director.

The OHD Committee consensus is that Abbott-Downing was a better space than Rundlett for the Committee to set up. It is also newer and cleaner. Parking was a challenge for some. The final report on the costs for renting Abbott-Downing and running the craft fair should be available for the January meeting. Overall, the costs are believed to be lower than the cost to rent Rundlett.

Dawson presented the financial report prepared by the Director of Finance with the figures available to date. **Lori Bernard moved to accept the report as presented. Kim Kenney seconded. All in favor.**

Lyman Cousens presented the 2020 proposed budget for OHD. Cousens recommends having OHD sponsorships instead of doing the golf tournament this year so all donations can be used to cover the costs of running the Old Home Day event – food, entertainment and activities. The Committee reviewed the budget and asked questions. Kim Kenney stated she has secured almost all of the entertainment for 2020. The Committee discussed the cost of food and making food affordable. The Committee also agreed having the Merrimack Valley band and Charlie Jaworski

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do the chicken BBQ worked out well. Laura Lane moved and Lori Bernard moved to accept the proposed OHD 2020 budget. The Committee asked that Cousens present the budget to the BOS at their next meeting.

Dawson then asked the Committee about plans for the Old Home Day Bingo Luncheons which are so popular in the winter months. Approximately 50-75 people attend each luncheon. The cost is \$10 per person and the Committee discussed the price. Due to the fact this is a community activity and many who attend are on fixed incomes, the Committee decided to leave the cost at \$10. The first Bingo Luncheon is scheduled for January 11th with a snow date of the 25th at the Town Hall. Kim Kenny and Polly Dawson will bake turkeys. Dawson will also make squash. Lori Bernard will make stuffing. Laura Lane and Polly Dawson will make corn and beans. Susan Dukette and Bev LaCoy will make 20 lbs of potatoes. Kim Kenney, Bev LaCoy and Susan Dukette will take care of providing desserts. Lorrie Carey will make homemade gravy. Lyman Cousens will sell tickets and handle the 50/50 raffle. Kenney will call the Bingo with Dawson and Dukette helping with the Board. The Committee is seeking donations for the raffle table. Dawson will get some gift cards.

Set-up for the Bingo Luncheon will be Friday night or early Saturday morning organized by Kim Kenney. Suzanne Dukette will help with clean up. Dawson will get a check from the Finance Director for change for the event.

New Business

Work on the 2020 Old Home Day event is nearing completion in terms of having contracts signed and in to the Town in the first quarter of the year. Polly Dawson will follow up with the fireworks company for their contract so that it will be in on time. Kim Kenney discussed the entertainment and activities she has planned.

Lyman Cousens moved to adjourn at 7 pm. Lori Bernard seconded. All in favor.

The next meeting is Jan. 20, 2019 at the Municipal Complex at 6 pm.

Minutes submitted by Lorrie Carey.