

INDEPENDENCE DAY COMMITTEE

Minutes

June 13, 2016

7pm-Town Offices

Present: James Graham, Sarah Shipton, Sarah Crockett, Laurie Wadsworth, Darin Knaus; Doug Vogt (Lyme Fire & Fast), Patty Jenks

1. The minutes from the meeting held June 6, 2016 were approved as submitted.
2. Sarah S. reviewed with Doug about needs from Fire Department, specifically with safety & parking. Sarah C. discussed fire trucks in the parade and what regulations are regarding walkers following the trucks. Patty asked about having the dunk tank filled around noon and discharged later in the afternoon so it would not be a hazard on the Common. Doug will take these requests back to the squads and secure involvement from those able to help for the afternoon.
3. James reported he had mailed all fundraising letters and had 10 posters made up. The posters were terrific and it was agreed he'd have a few more made up. Patty reported there had been a response to the fundraising letters already. Darin will touch base with Dina Cutting about getting weekly or bi-weekly updates as to contributions.
4. James is making progress with lining up variety show performers.
5. Sarah S. reported that Matt Thebodo will be providing an assortment of help detail, including but not limited to traffic control & dunk tank help.
6. There was a brief discussion about traffic flow and other safety related issues. Lyme PD will be requested to attend the June 20th meeting to coordinate specifics.
7. Doug indicated the Lyme Fire has barricades they can contribute.
8. Sarah C. will do the June 15th Listserve alert, focusing on the parade and kids events. Individuals will be invited to participate in the parade.
9. Patty had followed up with the Ackerly family, with very positive results. They were very touched the IDC was honoring Bill with the ice cream giveaway. She had also received a communication from Tara McGovern who, along with some of the Ackerly grandchildren would like to help give out the ice cream. Patty will let Tara know her help will be most welcome.
10. Without recent input from Matt Brown, infrastructure issues remain a bit of a mystery. The IDC needs to learn from Matt what he's secured in the way of tents, tables, staging, lights, cords etc...by the June 20th meeting. James will connect with him for an update. Hopefully Matt can also attend this meeting.
11. Doug was thanked for his insight and help.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Jenks