

Lyme Independence Day Committee Meeting, June 18, 2015

Attendees: Matt Brown, Sarah Crockett, Tara McGovern, James Graham, Patty Jenks, Bill Murphy

Meeting commenced: 7:33p

Minutes from 6/8 were approved.

FUNDRAISING

~\$4600 raised so far so we're into next year's financing

-Matt suggested having a donation box at the event for next year and will work on putting that together.

-T-Shirts will be available to people who donate \$25 or more.

-Tara suggested having index cards available for suggestions for next year that can be entered at the same time as donations.

-**James** will talk with Karen and Dina about getting the list of businesses to be included on the banner.

FOOD

-Tara has set up a sign up genius site for both potluck dishes and volunteers.

-Matt mentioned about getting judges in place, Brian Rich's name was mentioned.

VOLUNTEERS

-Patty provided a list of things that Shaun has requested for the day and mentions that Shaun will be available to help with setup.

-**Patty** will call Mike Hinsley and also Rob Meyer to see if either is going to be able to drive a truck.

-**James** will contact Luke Prince about same.

-Two volunteers will be needed for working in shifts at the bouncy house

MUSIC

Patrick Ross will be playing with Dan and the Dinosaurs. His fee is \$200. He'll be asked to provide incidental music at 4:30 until Bill Murphy's public speaking event.

PARADE

-Sarah has spoken with Julia Elder about leading the parade and shared Julia's concerns about organizing the parade and keeping kids under control.

-**Matt** will talk to Curtiss Shepard about being the parade marshal that keeps people 20 feet from the fire truck.

-**Tara** will create another sign-up genius page for parade registrations

-**James** will ask Griesemer's about making their lawn available for decorating bikes.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

-Bill Murphy presented more details on his public speaking event. He will advertise the event and we will try to get commitments from people before the event so we have some idea of how much stage time the event will need.

-A microphone will be required and maybe a podium.

SCHEDULE

There was some discussion about the schedule which led to the following plan for the time immediately following the parade:

4:30 parade over, P. Ross starts background music

4:55 **special song event**

5:00 Bill Murphy speaking event

5:30 Potluck Prizes

6:00 Dan & Dinos with Patrick Ross

8:00 Stage setup for Redhouse

8:15 Redhouse

ACTIVITIES

-**Matt** will check with JJ about Ponies and Hank's lawn

-Bouncy House 3:00 - 6:00pm on the west side of the Common (will need volunteers, see above)

DECORATIONS

-Sarah suggested having a center-piece contest but Matt pointed out that the potluck contest was already taking up a fair amount of energy.

-Folks will be encouraged to create their own homemade decorations for the event.

-Sara has ordered decorations for bicycles and tents

-**Sara** will proceed with getting T-shirts made using the approved logo.

PUBLICITY

-**James** will email listserv and include links to parade sign-up, potluck sign-up, volunteer sign-up and put out a call for help decorating.

-Matt's design for a banner on the common was approved.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Matt's latest plan for tents, tables, grills, porta potties, and signage was approved.

Meeting Adjourned 9pm