Ashland 4th of July Committee
May 23rd, 2018


Meeting was called to order at 6:40, the pledge of allegiance was done and Roll Call was taken. Minutes – The May 9th minutes were reviewed, a few changes were made - Kendall made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Harold 2nd and it was approved by all. Guests – Tony Randall – would like an itinerary of the schedule. Liked the idea of ending the parade at the ballfield, it relieves a lot of congestion and problems we have at the west street intersection. He will be taking care of the parade application the 2nd week of June. Police will proceed as normal, Tony will send out advance detail to get personal. Please make it known that pets will not be allowed on the field, and like past years there is no driving down main street from the parking lots when the fireworks are done. Steve Heath – A fire engine will stay with the fireworks and the school will be blocked off as soon as the fireworks arrive. The fire department mans this area. There will be an EMS presence at the ball field which includes a first aid tent and an ambulance. If there is a medical emergency away from the field it will be answered by the crew manning the fire station and the crew at the ball field will not leave the field. Volunteers should be aware of where the first aid tent is located. The handicapped parking will be at the booster club and along the fence at Freudenberg. Dj’s – interested in djing on bandstand during 3rd festivities. Will control sound so as not to compete with Larry Walker Band, but will provide sound to that side of the field. They are donating their services and there is no charge.

Treasury Report – Funds have started coming in for the ad book, and banners. No other funds have gone out since our last meeting. There is no bank statement since this our last meeting as this is our 2nd meeting this month. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Sue and 2nd by David. All in favor.

Old Business –
1. Brochure - & Ad Book – provided that we get banners from all who have said they are interested we will be over budget on both the ad book and the banners. Ad book is set to print and be done next week.
2. Shirts – We have 124 shirts, they have come in, we paid about $8 per shirt and will sell for $15. We can start selling them at the circus.
3. Buttons – Can be sold at Circus, Sue will ask Shure-fine about selling, as well as the company store, and legion breakfasts. Mrs. Gosse said her family will sell them the night of the fireworks.
4. Stickers – sell for $3 or 2 for $5. We may want to make more of these next year if they are a big seller.

Field update – 3000 items of chum will be ordered to play the games with. Games from oriental traders were shown and it was decided to order 3 of them to go along with other games that are planned. Harold will donate the use of his tents and is willing to deliver them. They can be taken down after the fireworks. Sue & Deb worked on updating the badge phone numbers were verified and collected from others. Katrina will get lanyards for them, we will create a group text message on July 3rd so that we are able to communicate if necessary. Ann will check to see the number of kids that are allowed on the field so we know it for the volunteer meeting. Kendall will talk with Tim Paquette about Trash at the school.
Katrina will take care of deposit bags for sales, as well as coordinating the checks needed to pay vendors at the parade.

Parade Update – National Guard will be honor guard in parade. Sons of the American Revolution will be in the parade and will perform a flag ceremony in the field after the parade with a 15-gun salute. The antique police car from New Hampton will be available for the parade. Right now, we have 3 cars to be rides.

Volunteersign-up sheet – was discussed and put in order for next months meeting.

Facebook Page – Katrina, Deb & Sue have now been added as admins to the Facebook page, we will work to post more frequently.

New Business –
House decorating contest – we need to determine an application period, and judging period. Deb sent Fran rules from their deck the house contest and those can be adapted to work as contest rules. It was suggested to make it a daytime contest. Fran & Deb will work on this before the next meeting.