

Ashland 4th of July Committee
Minutes

November 20th, 2019

Present – Kendall Hughes, Deb Perdue, David Ruell, Katrina Randlett, Fran Wendelboe, Harold Lamos, Ann Barney, Tania Hiltz,

6:35 meeting called to order, attendance taken by sign in sheet, pledge done.

Minutes – Minutes from the October 23rd meeting were reviewed, Deb made a motion to accept, 2nd by David. All in favor.

Treasury Report – Katrina went over the budget. We have received a deposit from Atlas, which is our final ad payment we have been waiting on. The town still owes the Fourth of July Committee \$746.58 for money that was incorrectly taken out of the account. Katrina and Deb have spoken with Linda and she is working to find the error and make the correction. The church deposit for donations on the 4th of July was made it will show up on the November bank statement though. That amount is \$325. Katrina went over proposed budget for 2020, unused line items were removed to clean it up a bit, the budget amounts are as we spoke about last month. The actual for 2019 Ad Book will be updated to reflect the Atlas payment. David made a motion to approve the treasury report as presented, Deb 2nd. All in favor.

Update from Selectmen's meeting – The selectmen have voted to allow the 4th of July Committee to remain under the town for this year only. They have said that next year we will not be allowed to be a town committee. They have also given us a list of 10 requirements. All of these requirements we currently follow with the exception of the first which is that all official committee members (officers) must be residents. This greatly impacts us as 2 of our officers are non residents. At the meeting they voted to approve Kendall, Deb, and David. A discussion of our concerns, and what we will need to do moving forward was had, not final decisions were made.

Old Business –

- A. Plaque for Grand Marshall – Fran brought size and price options of potential plaques, after a brief discussion, Kendall made a motion to order 2 40 Name plaques, and have them engraved with all the names that we currently know. Deb will order, so that it goes in to our 2019 Budget.
- B. Vendor List – We will ask the same vendors as last year if they would like to come back. This year we will not limit the food trucks with types of food and will allow pizza, Chinese, and Mexican. We need to find another fried dough/ French fry option.
- C. Theme – Deb went over the theme options suggested last month, Tania added in the theme option Growth & Handwork, after discussion of all options, Deb made a motion to have the theme be NH way of life, 2nd by David. All in favor.
- D. Award Nominees – both Grand Marshall and Mary Ruell award candidates were discussed. After a brief discussion the group came to a consensus. Deb made the motion to accept both the Grand Marshall and the Mary Ruell award candidates, 2nd by Kendall, all in favor. Deb will notify the winners and names will be announced once they have been informed.
- E. Parade – We would like to have a bigger parade next year. We discussed some groups that we may be able to get to participate in our parade. Tania is going to reach out to some and see what she gets for a response. Fran suggested a country band, or band on a flatbed, we will also see if Laconia High School has interest in being in the parade this year.

New Business –

- A. Annual report Statement Deb read aloud a draft copy of the Annual Report Statement, will finalize some of the information needed, and add in suggestions given by the committee before submitting it.
- B. No December meeting – for January meeting please bring design ideas for Theme logos.