Ashland 4th of July Committee minutes August 22, 2018

Present – Fran Wendleboe, Katrina Randlett, Deb Perdue, Sue Harville, John Harville, David Ruell, Kendall Hughes, Harold Lamos, Caroline Gosse, Phyllis Reitsma, Jane Sawyer, Arthur Logue.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35, the pledge of allegiance was done and Roll Call was taken. Minutes –The July 11th minutes were reviewed, Kendall made a motion to approve the minutes with 2 typos corrected, David 2nd and it was approved by all.

Treasury Report -

Katrina provided a breakdown of withdrawals and deposits, but does not have our updated budget ready but will get it to us. According to the bank statement we have \$29, 384.59. We are higher then last year. Banners and ad book came in above budget. Caroline made a motion to accept the treasury report, 2nd by Sue, approved by all.

Officers & Committees – Fran, Katrina, and Deb all indicated they would continue as their roles chair, treasurer and secretary, it was opened to see if anyone else was interested in this role, with no others interested. Kendall made a motion for these 3 positions to remain the same, this was 2nd by Sue, all were in favor. Sue made a motion that Kendall would be the vice chair, Kendall agreed he would do this, it was 2nd by Caroline Gosse and all in favor. Caroline made a motion that we select a nominating committee in May to present the slate in August for new officers, 2nd by Harold, all in favor.

Members were asked to volunteer for committees that they would work on this year.

Public Affairs - Sue and Deb

Field & Fireworks - Kendall, Harold, John

Parade - Harold, Kendall, John,

Pancake Breakfast – Fran, Katrina, Phyliss, Becka may be interested in this as well Volunteers – Sue agreed to work on this but wants someone else to be main coordinator Vendors and Contract – John & Deb

Parking – Fran, we hoped Anne would work on this as well since she did it this year.

Discussion – It was brought up that few people seemed to listen to the bands this year and that the Dj did a great job and could be heard throughout the field. The bandstand has better acoustics and is under cover. We need to explore whether we continue with Chesley's or if we go with someone else. Deb suggested food trucks would be a nice alternative. Deb, Harold, and Kendall will all work on the feasibility of this. Also, in the future field events should not start until 5. We started too early this year especially because it was so hot. All agreed that we would keep the fireworks on the 3rd next year. Meeting date and time – It was suggested by Kendall to move the meetings to the 4th Wednesday of the month, and to the fire station. This lines up well with selectmen's meetings, and we would still do 2 meetings in May, and no meeting in December. All are in favor of this. Kendall will check to make sure the fire station is available.

New Business – The fireworks at the annual Jaffrey show were put to sound, using a track provided by atlas. If we do a dj this year then it may be worth looking into.

Arthur suggested that to help raise money for the committee he would be willing to work with us on different events throughout the year. He would provide the music if we would provide the hall, and the funds made would be for the 4th of July committee. A brief discussion was had about different dance options but nothing was put in place.

Other Business – no other business.

Meeting was adjourned.