

Ashland Fourth of July Committee

Minutes for meeting Wednesday, April 20, 2022 @ 6:30 in Person at the Ashland Booster Club

In attendance: Kendall Hughes, David Ruell, Deb Perdue, Katrina Randlett, Tim Alexander, Charlie Bozzello, Ernie Madden, Tricia Farris

6:33—Call to order

Minutes – March minutes were reviewed, David made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, 2nd by Tim Alexander— all in favor.

Treasury Report- \$2.74 in interest in March, only expense is \$50 from engraving. There has been no income yet, but we will start to get that soon. Total account balance is \$16115.28.

Advertising – Letters have been sent out and people are beginning to book spots. As we get advertisers in the brochure Deb will work on putting that together and we will have to submit the final draft just after our May meeting in order to get it ready in time. Sue Harville will be writing the articles for the brochure in the next week.

5K – The event has been set up on Eventbrite and people have begun to sign up. Deb will send an email to the runners who ran last year to let them know signups are open. Race bibs – we went over race bibs and decided to try boulder bibs once again. The starting number will be 200. The DOT has approved us to use the lot as our ending area. Koda Grill Food Truck has committed to providing food during the race – she is paying \$50 extra – we have no real idea if it will get business or not. Kendall has lined up a photographer to take pictures during the race. We need to check to see if he will be charging the runners for the pictures. John Harville will be away and not able to help with the safety patrol for the race.

Touch A Truck – Tim has got confirmation from - NH Towing, Tucker Snowcats, National Guard, NH State Police, Antique cars – which will also do parade, classic Chevelle – also in parade, still waiting to hear from Jeremy Hiltz. Katrina said Todd will also bring a vehicle. Ann will confirm with Freudenberg that we are all set as well.

Food Trucks – 13 confirmed food trucks so far – contracts have been sent to all of them, still looking for 2-3 more. Our goal was 16 we budgeted for 15.

Field – The fireworks permit has been filed. Kendall has been in touch with Plymouth High School Honor Society for volunteer help. He has also reached out to Mr. Gunn for a National Anthem Singer. Chris White is all scheduled, he needs to do some sound testing for projection. Our singers are all set, Deb needs to send them contracts. Jane and Bob will do a Paul Revere Skit in between bands and working on someone to do Betsy Ross. Kendall also has a contact who may be interested in doing a nonpolitical speech about Freedom. Todd has connected with Craig and is all set with the dumpster, the porta potties are also all set. The radio station is confirmed for 2-5 and it will be Fred that does it. We need to send bullet points to them to talk about.

Pancake Breakfast – Fran will coordinate with the Cman for breakfast.

Parade- Police have the parade permit. Sons of the American Revolution are coming and will march across the field after the parade to do the raising of the flag ceremony. Kendall has been in touch with NUCAR about using their convertibles. They said we would need to provide drivers, but they have 3 we can likely use. Judges – 1. Ernie or family as Grand Marshall, 2. Kelly as Mary Ruell Award recipient, 3. Fred if available or Bob Letourneau. Still need to attract floats.

Parking - Deb will call the new post office lot owner to see if we can use the lot, also check with Custance & Horsh to see if we can use that lot if necessary. If we have these lots, we will need to make sure that we have enough volunteers for them.

David made motion to adjourn at 7:42 2nd by Charlie all in favor.