

OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE MINUTES:

DATE: March 31, 2019

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:00pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Haley Bush Co-Chair, Jim Peck Co-Chair, Audrey Peck, Francine Hart, Michelle Lampron, Julian Kiszka, Barbara Kiszka, Bob Carolan, Derek Travers (PFD rep), Tracy Fuller, Laurie Milette

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Christina Cruz, Maxann Dobson

Minutes: Motion to approve the Minutes of February 17th by Francine second by Jim. Motion passed 8-0-3

By-Laws: To be discussed next meeting. Jim & Haley to draft.

Vendors: Wendy Bush has stepped down from signing up the vendors. This will now be handled by Jim (Plaistow Historical Society PHS). To date there are 12 vendors that have signed up which is the normal rate of participation for this time of year. There is a deadline date for the vendors and no refunds will be given if they are unable to be there.

Raffle: The raffle is advertised on the OHD Website and Facebook page. Donations have also come from Vendors outside of Town. Jim and Michelle met to discuss the raffles and souvenir program ads to make sure there is no overlap in asking the same businesses for support. The estimate is 90 raffle items and 29 ads for the souvenir program. Both raffles, vendor tables and ads are now on one Google Sheets list to better keep track of and coordinate solicitation of businesses.

Finance Director Greg Colby would like a double copied receipt book filled out for the raffles for accounting purposes. Michelle has an excel spreadsheet of raffle/vendors. After the money is collected from the raffles it needs to be counted by 2 people and it will be deposited by the Town Treasurer. Michelle will be getting St. Luke's Tax ID#.

Souvenir Program: Jim has already started getting sponsors for the program. He would like to get around 29 ads. The theme of the program is " Back to the Future ". The deadline for ads will be before June 5th in time to hand them out to the sponsors before OHD. Max and Bob have offered to help Jim. The forms are already printed to get the ads.

Road Race: The Road Race is sponsored by the Plaistow Lions Club. Funds collected will be donated to the Power Pack luncheon program. 8:45am the National Anthem is to be sung by Amanda Snow of Plaistow who was a contestant on the 2019 American Idol show. There is also a possibility of muskets being shot off to begin the Road Race. 9:00am the Road Race will begin. The course of the race will be coned off. Prize money and trophies will be awarded. There will be 2 watering stations, fruit and snacks. Awards for the race are usually presented 45 minutes to an hour after the start.

Money Prizes:

1st Place \$100.00
2nd Place \$ 75.00
3rd Place \$ 50.00

Fun Run: The YMCA is to sponsor the fun run and has the past 5 years. This will be away from the Road Race and will take place at Pollard School. There was also talk of possible bringing back the Children's parade which occurred in the morning and the kids dress up and decorate their bikes.

DeLorean: Jim has located a DeLorean in New Jersey. The cost is \$5,000. It has all the same equipment that appeared in the movie with the time machine, etc. The car is drive able and can be in the Parade. The owner will also bring a dog that looks like Einstein and he has a hover board to bring. There was talk of getting individual sponsors to offset the cost of the DeLorean. To help defray the cost of the car the Committee discussed canceling the Steel Drums group from the Parade and to forego giving away Community t-shirts due to the cost of \$1,200. The Committee agreed in consensus that we would use up to \$2,000 of our budget if needed.

Laurie made a motion to only have t-shirts for the Committee and not give them away to the Community. The motion failed 4-4-1. It is decided t-shirts will be discussed at the next Meeting.

Car Show: The Car Show begins at 8am. It needs to be integrated into OHD and not be a stand alone event. The proposed budget would be \$1500.00 to \$1675.00. Last year Bob ran the Car Show with little to no help and no budget. Traditionally the Car Show has been at Pollard School but there is talk of moving it to Main Street to get more exposure. This will have to be researched further. There may be no Car Show at all for 2019 as the members of the Committee cannot seem to come to an agreement on how to run it this year. Bob Carolan has decided not to run the car Show, so we need someone to step up (John Blinn?).

Baby Contest: Starts at 11am and registration will begin 9am-10:30am. Audrey will be in charge with Francine assisting. Last year's contest was a big hit with the Judges from the Plaistow Library.

Beard Contest: Jim will be running the beard contest. The trophy from last year has been returned to be awarded to the 2019 winner. The Barbersmith will be the sponsor. Categories are best, longest, most unusual and mustaches.

Terra Farm Activities: Looking into having a fire pumper there. Other information unavailable at this time.

Parade: No report from Christina who was absent. The usual Fire Trucks from neighboring Towns will be attending but not the antique Fire Trucks as they are attending another event the same day. Tracy has again offered to help line up parade participants. The list of parade participants are unavailable at this time.

Cookie Contest: Francine had offered to help. Other details not available as of yet.

Town Table: Max would like to set up a table of Town information about getting involved in Committees and Boards.

Citizen of the Year/Grand Marshall: Nominations for both can be entered on the OHD Website.

Facebook Admins: Haley, Jim and Michelle

Website Admins: Haley and soon to be Jim. Going forward the Town will be directly paying for the OHD Website.

2018 Town Report/OHD: The OHD Report is the responsibility of the Chair. Jim expressed for the record his upset of the lack of information in 2018 OHD report. The OHD Committee was not listed correctly. The Committee list that appeared was from 4 or 5 years ago. In the OHD report it did not mention the Citizen of the Year or the Grand Marshals. The Superheroes theme was not included or any pictures. No mention of the \$5,000 being collected from the Souvenir program to offset the cost of fireworks. Nor was the success of the Baby Contest. The Beard Contest was mentioned but not the winners. The Parade was not mentioned either that was organized by Christina. Jim was contacted by a Selectmen so the finance report of OHD was able to be included.

Going forward Jim as Co-Chair for 2019 will help with the preparation of the OHD Report for the 2019 Town Report.

Next Meeting 4/14/19 6pm

Meeting adjourned 7:38pm

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Milette Recording Secretary