

Plaistow Old Home Day Committee Minutes – March 21, 2021

Meeting called to order: 7:00pm

Committee Members Present: Haley Bush (Co-Chair), John Blinn (Selectman), Beth Tilton, Michelle Lampron, Derek Travers (PFD Rep), Bob Fairhurst (Lion's Rep), Tracy Fuller (YMCA Rep)

Haley read, "A Checklist To Ensure Meetings are Compliant With The Right-to-Know Law During The State of Emergency".

Derek Travers makes a motion to accept the minutes from the January 24, 2021 as written.

Beth Tilton 2nds the motion.

Motion passed 5-0-2 (Haley, Beth, Michelle, Tracy, Derek in favor/John and Bob abstain)

Election of Officers:

Derek Travers makes motion to re-elect Haley Bush as co-chair of OHD Committee.

Tracy Fuller 2nds the motion. Motion passes 7-0-0.

Tracy Fuller makes motion to elect Michelle Lampron as Recording Secretary.

Haley Bush 2nds the motion. Motion passes 7-0-0.

Budget:

April 12th Haley is presenting at the Board of Selectman Meeting to ask for funds for OHD 2021.

The money leftover from a cancelled OHD 2020 was put back into the town's unassigned fund and we are unable to get that money back for 2021.

Per John Blinn, as of this meeting there are zero funds available from the Town to fund OHD 2021. Haley is looking to raise/acquire \$12,000 to hold a solid OHD celebration. A parade is not feasible this year, which will also save us money.

It is suggested that vendor fees raised will pay for most of OHD. Vendor fees have historically been given to the Plaistow Historical Society; this is their only source of revenue. The Board of Selectmen decide who receives the vendor fees. If we wish to change it we will need a vote from the BOS.

Ideas for raising money to fund OHD:

Haley asking the Town for money at BOS meeting on April 12th

Change the recipient of vendor fees from PHS to OHD.

Ask local businesses to make a donation to the Plaistow OHD 2021 fund/account.

Fundraising Calendar.

Souvenir Booklet.

Venue:

The Timberlane HS and MS fields are an option but limits the committee on available dates since OHD cannot interfere with school sports.

Fish & Game Club was offered by John Gifford.

PARC was suggested by Bill Coye. Lots of room for spreading out, lots of parking, electrical available under pavilion for bands/etc.,

YMCA may try to hold events at their facility on the same day as OHD to help spread out the town celebration.

5K Road Race:

Lion's Club runs it and will decide if they are having it this year and if they should keep it on Main St. or move it closer to PARC (if that is where we end up holding OHD).

Raffle:

Michelle still plans on holding a raffle. Waiting until a date is finalized before moving forward.

Vendors:

Wendy Bush has offered to be the point person for vendors. At our next meeting we will vote her back in as a committee member.

Need to figure out how many vendors PARC can hold (with social distancing). Hoping we can fit at least 80.

Fireworks:

Atlas has grandfathered a price of \$6,000 for us. Hoping to find/raise the money to hold them this year.

OHD 2021:

Derek motioned to have OHD 2021 tentatively on Sept 18th

Beth 2nds the motion.

Michelle suggests Aug 28th, 2021

Derek withdraws his motion.

Tracy motions to hold OHD 2021 tentatively on August 28th.

Derek 2nds the motion.

Motion passes 7-0-0.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2021 at 7pm via zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm