

Kingston Days Committee Minutes

Sept 11, 2014

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In attendance: Gary Finerty, Lynn Gainty, Rick Korn, Carol Briggs, Judy Oljey, Robin Thompson, Charlie Snow, Joe Thompson, Holly Ouellette, Nancy Griffin, Natasha Short-Little

Not in Attendance; Charlotte, Barbara, Kathi, Phil, Leslie, Kristin

Brought to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice – Chairman Gary Finerty

Minutes from July read by all, motion to accept, 2nd and motion carries, one adjustment to the treasurers amount to reflect \$10,182.00. Lions Club hadn't sent a check yet (note, got check in the mail and sent to Robin a few days after the Sept meeting).

Peter at Waste Management has the two hockey tickets for the Waste Management giveaway, call was made to the winner and the ticket were mailed to Mr. Gilbert in E Hampstead.

Carol gave update on Taste of Rockingham and that Rick would be taking over the job next year, she will be around to advise us and to help as needed. Judges were on hand to make the decisions like the prior year regarding the winner from all of the great restaurants, the winners were shown in the local paper.

Rick gave update on Raffle, have to call the tree winner to offer something else, and updated us on the issue with the bench and how it has been resolved. We had some nice items to raffle off and will get better canisters so you cannot see the tickets or names inside the canisters.

Robin gave an update on outstanding bills from Maximum Velocity show and that she hadn't received anything from the Lion's Club breakfast.

Judy update that we will not have the big wooden souvenir booth in the future, we will have a pop up tent with zip down sides, we will use hangars to display the shirt and sweatshirts and will check the inventory for items that can be used for giveaways. Judy provided her update on the souvenirs, what sold well, what to order next year, we decided to give two of the coins to the Kingston Museum (so each side can show in the display). Need to order more balloons for next year, the roaming balloon sales worked well. She provided an overview of the current inventory (copies will be made for all to read).

Charlie update, motorcycle show went well, some signs may need to be replaced next year. We always seem to have an issue with the handicapped parking so we will try to make it more pronounced.

All commented on how to keep the area clear behind the music and food tent so that the vendors and entertainers can park there instead of the visiting crowd.

Joe update on the set up and electricity, he will try to get us someone and will reach out to other electricians. We need more help during the set up phase and someone will need to be on the plains all of the days to make sure the tents are set up, the chairs and tables are dropped off, the

areas are sectioned off and that all applicable people in the town and state are notified and aware of the dates and their responsibilities.

Robin updated us with treasurer's report and has turned in her resignation effective after the November meeting. We have asked Cindy from the town hall to provide the most recent \$\$ updates for our October meeting.

Nancy update, she has almost all the entertainers confirmed for 2015, will make sure that the announcers stay around for the raffle, and we need the microphone available for that portion of Kingston Days. Nancy did an excellent job with managing the entertainers and with making the announcements.

Holly updated us on the parade, on the cotton candy sales (with help from Bruce and the AmeriCorps kids). She gave us an update on the garage sale/flea market and provided ideas about how to better handle the folks who show up and leave their trash behind.

Natasha updated us on the Facebook details and how we might want to make changes to the website for 2015, she will be working with Cathy from the Selectmen's office to make some changes, and we may need to reach out to a web designer to update the KD portion of the town web site. Natasha posted the winners of the contests and TOC and added many photos from Mark Finerty and those who were at the event. She did a great job of adding information about the vendors and advertisers.

Gary updates; Program was done but there were a few mistakes but overall it came out well, Barbara did a nice job however we need a bit more time to distribute the booklets. It was mentioned that we need to determine who is staying on the committee and who will need to be replaced during the Oct/Nov meetings.

Advertisements are almost all paid, there are approx. three that are outstanding and Gary will work to get those collected. Provided Gary with updated list of whom to add for distributing program books next year. Gary said that Barbara has offered us her resignation.

Lynn noted that Kathi Kelly will be resigning from the committee but she is more than willing to help with the Crafters in 2015 as the volunteer coordinator, she will work with Lynn, Leslie and anyone else who wishes to help in order to make it successful.

We do need the final \$\$ from the weekend and will look forward to the update from Robin.

We took a few moments to reflect on how our lives and the committee had been blessed by having Bruce in our lives, he will be missed. We also took a moment to reflect on the loss of Dave Ingalls, the service times were discussed so we could attend if we wished.

Next meeting will be Oct 16th, Thursday, 7pm at the library and there have been a few new folks invited to attend.

Motion to adjourn by Lynn, 2nd by Nancy, all in favor and the meeting was concluded at 9:05p.m.