RED Committee Minutes 02/28/2018

Meeting called to order 6:03 PM by Jason.

Present: Jason Koerber (Chair), Gloria Leustek, Cherie Rowe, Ben Kilanski, Jane Beauchamp Excused: Beth Pelton, Denis Murphy

Minutes: Unable to approve as a quorum of members present at the meeting are not present. Jason handed out minutes from 2/14.

Membership & Attendance: Gloria is waiting to hear from Karey as to what the policy is on unexcused absences in a committee.

Financial Report: Jason has monies from the Farmers Market vendors to hand in. Gloria is still waiting on the balance sheet and bank statements.

Farmers Market: Jason said that there were 7 vendors at the last market including and they did cookie decorating for Valentine's Day. The Market will be held in conjunction with the Local Food Festival and the Earth Day Clean up on 4/22.

Music in the Park: At the last meeting, Jason asked if we could all take names and knock on doors of businesses for sponsor donations. We discussed price points. Dates are June 14th thru August 16th. We went thru the list of businesses and each took some names and we should have fundraising wrapped up by the end of May. Face to face is the best way to get donations. Jason will provide a corrected flier that we can use to show sponsors.

Musical Jubilee: Will be the culmination of the Music Series on Sat. Aug 18th. Jason will reach out to FPA (Rowland & Georgia) to see if they can help again. It was discussed about having it with the Farmers Market and see about getting additional vendors for the day.

Pole Banners: Jason has not had a chance to repair the 2 banners that need repairing. Jane Beauchamp (guest) said her husband Dave can assist with the repairs. Denis also said he would help. Jason said Gem Graphics' prices were not any cheaper. Gloria will bounce the list of banners against the list of businesses so we know who else to ask. Target price for another set is \$250. We also need to find out from Eversource what poles are available, and then get permission from the State again.

Earth Day Clean up: Gloria to update the poster. We have plenty of blue bags. It's the same day as the Local Food festival. It's to begin at 9am and then anyone who helps clean up can enjoy lunch. Gloria will talk to Kevin Bazan about advertising, Denis about putting it on the Kiwanis sign, and create a Facebook event on the Farmers Market Page.

Community Garden: Jason and Gloria talked to Wayne from the ELMM Center about possibly using their land for a location for the Garden. Wayne was also thinking about starting a Community Garden as well. The land however may already be accounted for.

Live Music at ELMM: Cherie said she is still trying to get in touch with someone.

RED Committee and Winchester Flyer: Gloria & Cherie still have to get together to work on the Winchester flyer and she has to make the time to work on the RED flyer.

Business directory & Map: We have a copy, although not current.

Chili Cook-off: It was previously suggested to have it at the Musical Jubilee.

Logo Merchandise: Gloria reported that woven laminated bags are cost prohibitive because of minimum orders. But she only just started research. ie. 100 min for \$3.00/\$4.00 each. Perhaps we can sell them?

Town Concerns: Jason said Jack Marsh had previously approached us about possibly rebuilding the Melvin Bridge and asked how RED can help. Recently Swanzey rebuilt one of their bridges; we need to look into how they funded it. Also the residents in that area would need to be asked how they would feel about it.

Cherie asked about what was going to be built on the corner across from the Rite Aid.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Gloria, Seconded by Cherie. Meeting Adjourned at 6:57PM Approved 4-0

Respectfully Submitted, Gloria Leustek

Minutes Approved on

Signed

(Jason Koerber – Chair)