

**RED Committee Minutes**  
**3/15/2022**

**Meeting called to order** 6:02 pm by Jason

**Present:** Jason Koerber (Chair), Lola Bobrowski (Co-Chair/Secretary), Jeanne VanPatten, Patricia Dixe, Michael Faulkner, Kristen Smart-Bagster

**Excused:** Lindseigh Picard (Selectman's Representative)

**Absent:**

**Minutes** – Minutes from 2/22 were amended to add the amount of the Winchester Wonderland disbursement. **Motion to amend the minutes made by Jason, second by Pattie, approved 6-0.** Formal approval of these minutes at next meeting due to lack of quorum for approval.

**Margaret/Garden Club** – The Garden Club raises money down at the dump each year to maintain several gardens. They are looking for help with maintaining the gardens. Mainly trying to figure out a watering solution. Using a side by side on the sidewalk? Margaret is going to do some thinking/asking – hoping to get permission to use her gator. Help would be needed for spring cleanup and then watering throughout the season. Margaret will be gone for a month this summer. Lola suggested a google calendar to coordinator volunteering. All locations are able to be driven up to. Loop this in with the Food Festival? Or have a park plantings clean up the weekend after food festival, and advertise at the Festival for volunteers. RED will work on planning this. Mike asked how much water each time? Margaret will find out more information and get back to us.

**Financial Report** – Nothing new to report.

**Music in the Park** – Jason has booked the whole season and expanded it by two weeks! Couple new bands this year. Series will run from June 9<sup>th</sup> – August 25<sup>th</sup>. Jason will work on a fundraising packet to bring to next meeting and share the financials documents for the committee to review. Goal of fundraising in full by the end of April if we can pull it off.

**Farmers' Market** – Jason has one new vendor signed up – sells crochet items, soaps & bath items, and eggs. Jason working on looking for and reaching out to other bakers in the region.

**Local Food Festival** –

Jason update: talked Jordan at Arlington Inn, Jenny at Picadilly, Walker and the fish fry, portable pizza oven people. Need to talk to A-1, maybe they can do long subs this year? Need to reach out to Rustic Table – soup again?

How can we loop in other establishments like Outlaw/Win Win/Rustic/etc? Maybe at the festival the RED committee gives out coupons to location establishments? Coupons would be good for food festival weekend only? Need to talk to the establishments.

Activities: Bob Jordan for solo act music that day.

Jason will ask Jane about bringing animals. Where to put them? Church parking lot? Library lawn?

Jason will talk with Jim about how to include bean supper/parking lot/bathrooms?

Local Food map – Lola will take to Kathy Morehouse

Raffle baskets? What did we make \$\$ on them in the past? Should we do this again or perhaps 50/50 instead.

Setup: Humane Society is letting us use their tent. Pretty big – maybe 30x30? Mike will find out the actual dimensions ASAP. How long does setup take? Will we need to setup up day before or morning of? Then, we can map out the park to know how many vendors we have space for. Tables we have covered. Vendors will bring their own tents & tables. Do we need to purchase a porta potty? Can we use Town hall? Church? Library? Plan for the weather if it's bad!

Food: We will plan to follow the same format as 2019 – scheduled times for rustic table/A-1/Arlington/Etc at a “food table.” Asking vendors to provide samples again – all samples are first come, first served. Free samples while they last. Suggestion to waive the vendor fee for the day to encourage vendors having samples. **First let's get the vendor list together!** Jason will have the FM vendor list by next meeting.

Consider meeting weekly in April to execute proper planning of the festival? Discuss at next meeting.

**Pole Banners** – Pole banner work day – Jason will pick a day next week and email the group.

**New Business** – Jason will order: farmers market sign, an 8ft banner from Gem Graphics. And we will purchase a red table cloth.

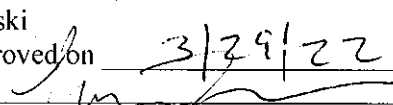
**Motion to adjourn** made by Pattie, second by Mike, approved 5-0.  
**Meeting adjourned 7:27 pm**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lola Bobrowski

Minutes Approved on

Signed

3/29/22  


(Jason Koerber - Chair)