

RED Committee Minutes
8/12/2020

Meeting called to order 6:04 by Jason

Present: Jason Koerber (Chair), Lola Bobrowski (Secretary), Jeanne VanPatten, Devon Snikeris, Michael Faulkner, Patricia Dixe

Excused: Gloria Leustek (Selectman's Representative), Denis V. Murphy (Co-Chair)

Minutes - We approved the minutes from 7/22. **Motion made by Devon. Second by Jeanne. Approved 6-0.**

Financial Report –As of 7/31 we have \$7554.30 in the bank – most of the music in the park donations have been deposited, but not all expenses have been paid yet. Beginning of next month all checks will have gone through.

Farmers Market – Everything is going well. Last two markets have had an uptick in turn out. Vendors across the board are doing really well. Local 7-year-old has been selling lemonade at the market and he donates half his proceeds to a local organization/nonprofit. Cheshire Floral Farm let an old check for \$80 expire, from past Christmas decorations reimbursement. **Motion to cut a new check for \$80 to Cheshire Floral Farm by Devon, second by Pattie. Approved 6-0.**

Music in the Park – Tomorrow is the last night of the 2020 series. We can only do the 50/50 if the permit was already approved by the BOS. Jason thinks he did submit this pre-covid, but he is going to double check to be sure. The group discussed adding another week – feels like the series flew by too quickly. Jason is going to invite Steel Rail again (week 1 band).

Halloween Haunted Bridge – Jason mentioned this to Jess at the ELMM – he's going to follow up to see if they're going to plan anything. We would need to figure out wall structures to create a winding pathway. We'll need to get permission from the town. Do we invite other organizations to participate with us? Include the trail where orgs can set up booths or stations? Jason will run this by the BOS and we'll discuss more at the next meeting. Jason will also talk to Margaret about any health concerns.

Pole Banners – Received 9 forms so far – may be more in the mailbox. Jason and Devon will check the mailbox after the meeting. Karey sent application for pole inspection – we haven't heard anything back yet. Hopefully we'll hear from Karey by next meeting so we can start to process new requests. Devon will drop off hardware to Jason tomorrow. Jason & Mike will plan to start fixing flags next week. Devon will send Jason a list of which ones need to be fixed with their locations.

Town Concerns – Nothing new.

New Business – Devon raised the idea of creating a Main Street Beautification grant (add to next meeting's agenda). Jason brought up getting holiday banners for Christmastime – seasonal banners to add to the existing banners on the opposite side of the pole. Wreaths instead? (the group likes this idea better). We can also plan a town-wide Christmas lights competition (similar to what Hinsdale Beautification Committee did last year). Can we still do Santa in the Park? Jason will talk to Karey about that. Christmas toy drive? Should we get flower boxes for the covered bridge?

Next meeting will be socially distanced in person at the park on Main St. unless it rains.

Motion to adjourn made by Pattie, second by Devon. Approved 6-0
Meeting adjourned 6:57 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Lola Bobrowski

Minutes Approved on 8/26/20

Signed Jason Koerber (Jason Koerber - Chair)