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MENDON'S 350TH ANNIVERSARY

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Meeting Date: 9/1/2015

Meeting Location: Mendon Town Hall

Minutes Approved: 11/10/2015

Members Present: Dan Byer, AJ Byrne, Sharon Cutler, Sorcha DeFrancesco, Jonathan Dudley, Dick Ferrucci, Kathleen Sedgely Nicholson, Alan Tetreault

Absent: Kevin Rudden, Morgan Smith, Wayne Wagner

Others: Chief Horn

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm.

The committee met with Chief Horn to discuss public safety and the 350th events. The Chief stated that Public Safety is willing work with the committee on whatever they want to do. They are used to large events. Internally they will be able to work with the 350th committee to provide coverage for events, however if they have to involve other towns there may be costs involved. Jon reviewed the needs for each event.

- Fishing Derby – Fire Dept can assist to check ice and permit fire w/ Conservation.
- Birthday Party – Unitarian Church is most likely location. Parking may be an issue.
- Horribles Parade (7/3/17) / Fireman's Muster (7/1 or 7/1 2017) – FD will coordinate
- Block Party – Maple & Main St. No impact to 16. Issues are traffic and parking.
- Parade – The committee discussed the details of the parade. Chief Horn stated that the Imperial Car show involved 150 officers and cost \$60K in police details. The biggest issue is the route. Dick and Alan are not sure of how traffic was routed for the 325th. The committee discusses alternate routes. The issue is parking and space to watch the parade. Dick suggested Miscoe to the Center of Mendon. Dan looked up the route and it is 1.9 miles, he also suggested they could still cross 16 at the light and not tie up traffic.

Jon explained the plans for the Country Fair. The Brothers will hold a raffle and are passing out books of tickets to sell. The prizes are capped at \$1,000. This will generate revenue for merchandise. He also presented info and pricing for apparel. The Brothers have agreed to fund \$1,500 for an initial order for T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Hats. The pricing will be \$15 for t-shirts, \$25 for sweatshirts, and \$15 for hats. He asked who would be available to help out at the booth. Several members are available.

Kathleen reviewed the status of the bracelets. She has some concerns as the supplier wants the money up front before supplying any proofs. Currently the committee doesn't have the funds available. *Dick will get Kathleen the reference from the Lions who worked with NORI.*

The committee discussed PR. Dick asked about a press release. *Dan will write a press release for the 10/2 town crier and post on Facebook.*

Dick announced that he has secured a major donation for the celebrations and is working on a few more. The committee discussed fundraising. Sharon asked about online fundraising (GoFundMe). *Dan will find out the official address for mailed donations and talk to Tom about online fundraising.*

The committee reviewed the list of events. Dan suggested they have a flier to hand out at the Fair. Dan reviewed the plans for the next few weeks. He will send letters for the logo winner and come up with a plan to present an award at a BOS and School Committee meeting.

Dick made a motion to approve the minutes of 8/18/15, Sharon seconded, all approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm