

Hollis Old Home Days 2017 Wild Salamander 6:30 pm 7 May 2018

**Voting Members Attendees:** Holly Babcock; Judy Mahoney; Anne Marie Tucciarone-Mahan; Donna Duffy; Barbara Kowalski; Nate Michaels; Laure Miller

**Event Volunteer Attendees**: Jan Schwartz; KC Morgan; Honi Glover;

Anna Birch; Victoria Harnish

The Old Home Days was called to order by Nate Michaels at 6:35.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Holly moved to accept the minutes of 26 March 2018. Anne Marie seconded. Vote to accept was unanimous. The meeting minutes will be posted on the Hollis Town website.

<u>Chair Status Update</u>: Holly has been in contact with the Amusement Company regarding the 2018 event. Holly asked if the committee were comfortable with extending the same terms we had with them last year. The committee agreed this was fine. Holly mentioned that we would get a bicycle for the Silent Auction. Holly is asking to be kept in the loop with which rides will be coming. She will continue to work the other various contracts: tents, lights, porta toilets and fireworks. Nate will work with the town on OHD signage. Via email, Holly updated the town on the status of the Chicken BBQ.

## **Subcommittee Reports:**

<u>Field Planning & Logistics</u>: Brief discussion on the potential use for where the BBQ was held as well as the softball Bull Pen. Both will affect the layout but we have time to plan for this. Holly did mention we will have one tent and chairs for residents to be able to sit and eat out of the sun.

<u>OHD Exhibitors</u>: The committee reviewed the draft 2018 Application. Judy will update and send out to committee members. We hope to have it up on the website by the end of the month.

Heritage Demonstrations: Annie Marie discuss the email she received. The HAE (horse club) will be doing some presentations in the horse ring from Noon until about 2 or 3pm. We usually use the ring from 7AM to 2 or 3, so please don't schedule anything in the ring. I am not sure if the vaulting crew is going thru the horse club to set up their times etc. I haven't heard from them except for the answer to your email they sent. The committee agreed no problem that the ring was theirs for the day.

Ann Marie is working to line up some of the previous demonstrators and potentially some new ones.

<u>Parade</u>: Jan will be working on updating the parade application.

<u>Sponsorship</u>: Laurie discussed the sponsorship program. She mentioned that she felt we should eliminate giving sponsors' food tickets as we will not have the BBQ. In the past very few of the sponsors' took advantage of the tickets.

In the past we have had 4 levels of sponsorship. \$5,000, \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. We have never had a \$5,000 sponsor. Laurie suggested that perhaps we offer a \$100 level for families & small businesses. They would get mentioned on the website and on social media only. Not on postcard or print media. Holly made a motion to accept the new level of sponsorship in addition to the already established structure. Barbara seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

<u>Artisan Market/Silent Auction</u>: Anna discussed the need for additional volunteers for the Silent Auction. Laurie will help here with computer support. The Silent Auction letters will go out late July with follow-up in August timeframe.

The Silent Auction and Artisan Market will not open until after the parade. In the past very few residents visited the barn until after the parade. The Market may stay open a little later than in the past. Anna hopes that perhaps some of the Silent Auction items could be picked up that evening.

<u>Entertainment:</u> Johnny O will not be singing the national anthem. Donna Duffy is looking for someone new to do it. Several of the committee members had ideas and will get back with her. Donna will be following up with contractor who provided the sound system to finalize requirements for this year. Nate will talk to the Fire Chief to make sure they will do the "Fire Muster" again this year.

Over 90's: In the past residents over 90's from Hollis got a free BBQ Chicken meal. The committee discussed the need to do something and provide some kind of food for the over 90's group. Several ideas were discussed. Perhaps box lunch or a voucher for other food. The committee will continue to look into this.

Balloon Rides: Honi will be coordinating the Balloon Rides.

<u>Publicity:</u> Victoria has been working on the OHD postcard. One comment was that the logos on the card should be bigger. Victoria is also looking into possibly changing the actual card size. She has contacted a local printer. She will be coordinating the mailing with the Hollis Post Office. The goal will be to have it in the homes by Sept 7<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn was made by Judy and Anne Marie seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10. Next meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2018 starting at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mahoney, OHD Secretary