**MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 5, 2023 FALL FLING MEETING**

**THE MEETING WAS HELD AT 6:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL WITH SIX PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE INCLUDING NATASHA, MCKENNA, BRANDI, OPIE, JEFF KENNEDY AND SUE.**

**NATASHA WELCOMED JEFF TO HIS FIRST MEETING.**

**NATASHA UPDATED THE COMMITTEE ON SEVERAL ITEMS FOR THE EVENT INCLUDING:**

* **WE HAVE 26 CRAFT VENDORS SIGNED UP, 1 DEMONSTRATOR, 3 PAID FOOD VENDORS AND 3 UNPAID FOOD VENDORS.**
* **NATASHA MADE CONTACT WITH TWO DIFFERENT PEOPLE WHO SELL PORK RINDS, KETTLECORN, AND CANDIED PECANS WITH HOPES OF GETTING THEM TO REGISTER FOR THE FALL FLING.**

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

**VIRGINIA SUBMITTED A SPREADSHEET OF ALL THE TRANSACTIONS FROM THE LAST MONTH SINCE SHE WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND.**

**SECURITY**

**REAGAN WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE; HOWEVER, NATASHA INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE STILL WAITING ON THE NEW CHIEF OF POLICE TO BE CHOSEN BEFORE ANY DECISIONS ARE MADE. (SECURITY COULD BE FROM A & A, WCSO OR THE WPD)**

**OPENING CEREMONY AND PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

**JANE WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE; HOWEVER, SHE SENT INFORMATION ABOUT THE OPENING CEREMONY. SHE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE VFW AND THE AMERICAN LEGION. THE VFW CONTACT IS DARRELL SUMMERS AND THE AMERICAN LEGION CONTACT IS GENE VANOVER. THEY WILL BOTH CONTACT HER NEXT WEEK AFTER THEIR MEETINGS.**

**SPONSORSHIPS / DONATIONS**

**BRANDI REPORTED THAT SHE HAS MADE CONTACT WITH EVERYONE WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY DONATED AND HAS MADE CONTACT WITH EVERYONE ON A NEW LIST PROVIDED BY VIRGINIA ROBERTS. PERHAPS ONE REASON FOR THE SLOW RESPONSE IS THE FACT THAT BRANDI IS A NEW NAME TO THIS POSITION.**

**AN ADDITIONAL $550 WILL BE DONATED TO THE KIDS KORNER BY VIRGINIA AND SUE.**

**MUSIC**

**JEFF KENNEDY HAS THE MUSIC LINE UP COMPLETED AND BOOKED. THE MUSIC LINE UP INCLUDES CLOGGERS AND LINE DANCERS ON SATURDAY TO OPEN UP. HE HAS BOOKED A COMBINATION OF BOTH TRADITIONAL AND CONTEMPORARY MUSIC FOR THIS YEAR’S EVENT. HAVING SAID THAT, THE BAGPIPES WILL BE ON SUNDAY AS WELL AS THE TRADITIONAL BLUEGRASS. JEFF’S PLAN IS TO CONTINUE TO INTRODUCE NEW GROUPS AND HAVE THE MUSIC EVOLVE. JEFF SHARED THAT IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO STAY WITHIN A BUDGET BECAUSE OF THE INCREASE IN WHAT BANDS CHARGE.**

**BEN MAYS HAS BEEN CONTRACTED TO DO THE SOUND FOR $3000 AND HE HAS ALSO AGREED TO BE THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES.**

**THE MUSIC IS SCHEDULED FOR 11:00 TO 6:00 ON SATURDAY AND 12:00 TO 5:00 ON SUNDAY. THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL PRECEDE THE MUSIC ON SATURDAY AT 10:30. LAURA ROBERTS WILL BE ASKED TO MAKE THE PRESENTATION OF THE QUILT FOR BONNIE AND THE PRIZES FOR THE PRE-FLING CONTESTS.**

**EVENTS BEFORE THE FALL FLING**

**OPIE REPORTED THAT MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE PREVIOUSLY COORDINATED PRE-FLING EVENTS HAVE AGREED TO DO SO THIS YEAR AS WELL.**

**THE EVERYTHING APPLES WILL HAVE A DIFFERENT LOOK THIS YEAR AND PATRICIA BENTLEY HAS A NEW IDEA TO HAVE A CHOCOLATE DESSERT CONTEST. THERE MAY EVEN BE A TASTING AND A PEOPLES’ CHOICE AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED. PATRICIA IS GETTING HER OWN SPONSORSHIP.**

**SUE AGREED TO CONTACT STEVE CHILDERS ABOUT THE 5K RACE FOR SATURDAY MORNING. (THAT CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE AND HE HAS AGREED TO COORDINATE THAT EVENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH BALLARD SPONSORSHIP)**

**KIDS’ KORNER**

**SUE REPORTED THAT KIDS’ KORNER IS ALMOST FILLED UP WITH SEVERAL NEW EVENTS AND GAMES INCLUDING:**

* **AN OBSTACLE COURSE SPONSORED BY ABSOLUTE FITNESS**
* **A GYMNAST DEMONSTRATION BY RAINBOW GYMNASTICS**
* **A LIFESIZE ‘GUESS WHO’ GAME (PEOPLE CAN PURCHASE A SPOT TO PUT SOMEONE’S PICTURE)**
* **4-H IS BRING SEVERAL THINGS BUT THE HIGHLIGHT WILL BE A WORKING COW MODEL TO MILK**

**THE INSURANCE POLICY FOR THE TRAIN RIDE HAS ALREADY BEEN PROVIDED TO THE TOWN.**

**MISTI RAMEY HAS AGREED FOR THE BACK LOT TO BE USED FOR THE OBSTACLE COURSE.**

**SUE IS STILL WORKING ON A COMMITMENT FROM RURAL KING FOR A STRAW SEARCH / STRAW SCRAMBLE ON SUNDAY THE 15TH.**

**THERE WAS CONVERSATION ABOUT THE DORA (DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA) FOR THE TOWN AND THE SELL OF WINE BY MOUNTAIN ROSE VINEYARD. THE END ALL IS THAT YOU CANNOT HAVE TWO ALCOHOL LICENSES ON THE SAME PROPERTY. MOUNTAIN ROSE WILL SERVE AND SELL WINE BUT THE SELL / SERVE WILL TAKE PLACE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AT GILBERT’S LAW OFFICE PROPERTY. EL DORADO WILL CONTINUE TO SELL DRINKS AS USUAL AND SUGGESTIONS WERE MADE FOR THEM TO PUT UP A SIGN AND THAT SIGNS SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE GLADES. JEFF COMMENTED THAT WE SHOULD CREATE A FUN ATMOSPHERE LIKE THE ONES THAT ARE PRESENT AT OTHER FESTIVALS THAT INCLUDE MUSIC.**

**CONVERSATION ABOUT A TALENT SHOW INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING IDEAS:**

* **PERHAPS NEXT YEAR, WE WILL ATTEMPT A TALENT SHOW AT THE FALL FLING WITH A WINNER FROM EACH INDIVIDUAL TOWN COMPETING TO BE THE FALL FLING WINNER.**
* **AN IDEA WAS SUGGESTED TO PROMOTE THIS FORMAT AT THIS YEAR’S FESTIVAL**

**\*\*\*THE COMMITTEE WAS ASKED TO CONSIDER BOTH THE PROS AND CONS OF HAVING THE FALL FLING ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF OCTOBER INSTEAD OF THE SECOND DUE TO COMPETING EVENTS. A DECISION WILL BE MADE BEFORE THE FALL FLING SO IT CAN BE ANNOUNCED AS A ‘SAVE THE DATE’.**

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON JULY 10, 2023 AT THE TOWN HALL AT 6:00 PM.**