

WALKERTOWN FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 9, 2018; 4:00 P.M. @ TOWN HALL
MINUTES

Present: Doc Davis, Randy Mendenhall, Marilyn Martin, Sarah Welch, Deborah Garland, Scott Snow and Rusty Sawyer.

CALL TO ORDER

Randy calls the meeting to order @ 4:00.

- **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
Yes
- **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

BUSINESS AT HAND

Randy: If we keep the same weekend the date for the festival will be October 12 & 13.

Rusty: That will be the same weekend as Mt. Airy's.

Randy: We've had good luck since we moved up a weekend. We did reduce the hours for Saturday. 10am thru 6pm.

Rusty: Saturday's long hours was our #1 complaint. I can make a 4 band schedule work for Saturday if we start the music at 10:00. Do you want to change any of the bands? NO. Do you want to use the same sound set up as last year with "Paid For"? They have upgraded their sound equipment. YES

Randy: Deborah, any thoughts on the Art Contest?

Deborah: For this year's letter to the art teachers I'd like to use the town letter head. Maybe they'll answer.

Doc: Include the principal's too.

Deborah: I would like to buy the S hooks myself.

Randy: Sarah, any changes for the baking contest this year?

Sarah: Yes. Instead of taking applications all the way to Friday morning, have them turned in earlier. No later than Wednesday morning.

Scott: We are going to hire private security instead of deputies this year.

Randy: The NASCAR man is coming back. Rusty, see if you can contact the small train man. It would be great to see him giving rides. Try and bring back the blacksmith.

Marilyn: Are we going to have a town booth this year? We are about out of shirts to sale. What about the petting zoo? The alpacas lady is in trouble with the Humane Society. Maybe they would come with an animal adoption booth.

Rusty: I'll go ahead and reserve everything, make vendor applications, baking forms.

Committee agrees to:

- October 12 & 13; 10am thru 6:00pm
- Randy McGee & "Paid For" will provide for Saturday's sound
- Keep the same bands if possible
- Baking Contest forms must be turned in by Wednesday 10/10
- Security. We are going to hire private security instead of deputies this year

- Check on getting small train man
- Blacksmith
- Humane Society animal adoption booth
- Next meeting June 11th

NOVEMBER 13, 2017

Randy: I'd like to thank everybody for your hard work. Everything went smoothly. Seemed like we had more vendors this year on Sullivantown.

Rusty: 77 vendors this year. 11 more than last year. 36 of the 77 vendors had power. 91 total booths this year vs 70 last year..

Scott: We made \$6600 plus what was sold at the town booth. We spent \$14K.

Marilyn: The music schedule went very smoothly this year. This year's music was the best yet. I loved the trio Saturday afternoon. Rusty, you did a fantastic job with organizing everything.

Rusty: They are "Sunrise Shadow".

Randy: Any complaints? I know the barricades are always a problem.

Deborah: I know the teachers don't read or respond to emails. I'll write letters next year.

Sarah: The library helped with colored baking contest forms.

Rusty: Biggest complaint from vendors is the length of Saturday. Too many hours.

Randy: I heard the same complaint. We had quite a few vendors leave early Saturday.

It could get dangerous moving vehicles while the festival is still going.

What if we change the Saturday hours from 9am - 7pm to 10am - 6pm? We could have cleanup done before dark.

Committee is in unanimous agreement to:

- *Change Saturday's hours from 9am – 7pm to 10am – 6pm. 2 hours shorter.*
- *Start music (SOB Band) at 6pm Friday again.*
- *Consider having sheriff's or adults man the barricades*
- *Next meeting March 12th*

OCTOBER 2, 2017

Randy: Rusty, how are we doing with vendors?

Rusty: We have 61 vendors so far. Last year we had 66 vendors by 10/2.

We have 71 booths reserved. Last year we had 70. We are looking pretty good with booth numbers. For food vendors we have the Little League, Civic Club, Mountain Top Concessions, Lowes Foods and Jonny Taylor. We have the shaved ice truck, the "Wired" Coffee truck, funnel cake man, kettle corn man and cotton candy lady coming.

All the bands are signed and the schedule set.

Golf carts, generator lights and port o johns all ordered.

The electrician will be inspecting the temporary poles next week and adding one 50 amp service.

Duke Power will tape off the solar timers on the street lights next Thursday.

Randy: Sponsors?

Rusty: You, Tom and McDonalds.

Randy: I'll try and use an old sign and put them out this week.

Scott: I meet with the street sweeper to clean up around the print shop.

Doc: Tom is putting in pipe and filling in holes along Sullivantown.

Tom: Almost done with the pipe. Need more to finish.

Randy: Do you have plenty of help lined up.

Tom: Yes.

Doc: You'll need enough to man 4 barricades.

Randy: Ravon Cook declined our invitation to be the grand marshal.

Rusty: Pastor Bruce from Loves will sing the National Anthem and Doc will do the opening prayer. Jeremy won't be using his horses this year. I couldn't figure out a good way to use the WHS band since the Special Occasion Band has the stage starting at 5:00.

Deborah: Haven't heard back from WMS art teacher. All the other teachers are lined up to participate. Will the judges still get \$25 gift cards?

Randy: Yes.

Deborah: Scott, can you put an art contest flyer on the town sign?

Scott: Yes.

Deborah: Can you print up the award certificates early? I could fill in their names.

Rusty: Sure. I have the ribbons. DJ from McDonalds has agreed to 44 meal deals again.

I offered the Girl Scouts a free booth if they do kids hands on activities.

Randy: Put them near the town booth.

Scott: Tom, do you have the road closure signs?

Tom: Yes.

Scott: The fire dept. has asked for a tent. Tom, have you finished improving the steps at the Blue Roof house?

Tom: No. We have the materials.

Doc: Scott, have you lined up the deputies?

Scott: Yes. Dillon lined them up.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN AT 4:50 PM

BY: RANDY MENDENHALL

SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Next meeting will be JUNE 11, 2018 (2nd Monday of the month) @ 4:00 @ Town Hall

Submitted by Rusty Sawyer

Town Clerk

