# WALKERTOWN FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 9, 2024; 4:00 P.M. @ TOWN HALL MINUTES

Present: Mayor Davis, Randy Mendenhal, Peggy Leight, Deborah, Garland, Caroline, Jones, 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**

### **Discussion and Planning of Event 2024 Details**

Randy: Okay Rusty, where do we stand with our venders?

Rusty: We have 56 vendors so far. That is 8 ahead of last year. Crafters numbers are looking good. Still slow with food vendors. We have the Civic Club already signed up. Delicias Xpress has promised to come put they haven't turned in their application yet. We also have the street corn vendor signed up. Girls softball has promised to come but no application yet.

Quincy Lundy is coming with the High School Band again to start things off Saturday morning.

Randy: Deborah, how is the art contest looking?

Deborah: Four schools are on board however, Gospel Light hasn't returned my phone calls.

Randy: Well you tried to include them. Maybe next year.

Baking contest. Caroline, are you helping Peggy?

Caroline: Yes.

Peggy: I was wondering if the schools have any classes like Home EC. Like we had?

Scott: Maybe in middle school.

Deborah: There is a teacher class list online. Peggy: I'd like to include those students.

Scott: I have the logos for the coffee cups. Randy: And the town seal for the koozies?

Scott: Yes.

We have misplaced eight of the banner brackets so not all of them have been put up.

Deborah: Rusty, have you had any luck getting art prizes?

Rusty: No, sorry.

Committee agrees to have Art Contest ribbons and Certificate of Appreciation for each artist only.

#### 8/12 24

Randy: Rusty, tell us how our vendors are lining up so far.

Rusty: We have 40 vendors so far which is 3 ahead of last year at this time. We still only have one food vendor, the Civic Club. I have talked twice to the Mexican food truck owners that came last year. She says they are coming. I've sent two applications but they haven't returned them. They never filled out an application last year and they still came.

WGSA said they would be coming but they have not turned in their application. They have asked to move further down Harley but any spot they move to would need to be near power.

Randy: On short & long sleeve tee shirts, I think we should drop the 40<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary so it would be easier to sell the unsold ones again next year. Just say Walkertown Fall Festival with logo.

Wesley: I brought a sample tall campfire mug we could put the logo on. Also, since we give away water bottles how about putting them in a koozie with the logo.

Scott: Daniel is working up a 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo we could put on the coffee cups & koozie's. He is picking up the banners to change to this year's date.

Deborah: I was thinking we should ask Gospel Light 1-12 to join our art contest.

Randy: Let's limit the invite to High School only with 10 pieces of art.

Caroline: The WAHS wants to volunteer their help on Friday.

Randy: You said last meeting how much Brad's Carts had gone up. Maybe we could borrow a few carts for the day. *YES* 

Rusty: If anyone sees the "Little Donuts" truck, please invite them.

#### 7/8/24

Randy: Rusty, how are we doing so far this year?

Rusty: I have already ordered the golf carts, port a johns and water holding tank. We have 24 vendors so far and one food truck coming.

Randy: How does that compare to last year?

Rusty: We are 5 behind last year's 31 at this point.

Doc: The art class would like to have a showing this year.

Rusty: Deborah, can you make room for them.

Deborah: Yes, I think there is room. Are we keeping the prize money the same? YES (\$30, \$25, \$20)

Peggy: Don't forget to call the Post Office with the date.

Doc: Order water bottles. Everyone was thankful for the free water.

Scott: Jason & Ryan will do security again.

Peggy: Remind Todd to set out the picnic tables.

Scott: Todd will take care of the trash pickup and manning the barricades.

Rusty: I'll call the blacksmith.

Peggy: Do we want to have 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary shirts printed? *DECIDE NEXT MEETING* 

#### 10/9/23

Rusty: We have a total of 72 vendors, 89 booths. 7 permitted food vendors with the Health Dept. Betty says she will be here the 21<sup>st</sup> to inspect. We have 6 non permitted vendors by Agriculture Dept. 14 Direct Sales vendors. 31 Arts & Crafts vendors. 15 information/no sales vendors. I have 9 booths left to fill.

Randy said he has to leave at 11:00 for family.

Port-a-Jon's, water holding tanks and golf carts will be delivered Friday.

Ken will inspect all the power boxes that week.

Scott: Deputy Leonard has security lined up. Todd has people to man the barricades. I'll get the streets closed.

Deborah: All 4 schools are participating in then Art contest.

Art judging will be at 1:00.

Marilyn: Morris Chapel is having their bizarre the same day.

Peggy: The Middle School is having their own festival that day.

Baking contest judging will be at 1:00 also.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN AT 4:45 PM BY: RANDY MENDENHAL SECOND: CAROLINE JONES

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**Next meeting October 14**, **2024** (2nd Monday of the month) @ 4:00 @ Town Hall Submitted by Rusty Sawyer Town Clerk