# Old Home Week 2020 Committee Old School Community Room Wilmington, Vermont

### June 6, 2019

**Present:** Nicki Steel, D.J. Boyd, Carol Bogard, Mary Towne, Deb Boyd and Julie Moore Also present: P.G. Carrier (Readsboro Lions Club), Jim Dassatti and Sally Gore

The meeting was called to order by Nicki at 7 P.M.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion was made by Deb and seconded by Julie to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2019 meeting with one correction: page 2, first line Nito should read Nido. Motion passed 6-0

**Treasurer's Report**: Mary reported that to date we have paid out \$384.66 toward parade expenses, \$144 for Web site and \$2,220 for decals leaving a balance in the checking account of \$1,251.34 and a balance in the Money Market account of \$26,000.

## Old Business:

Chicken BBQ - P.G. Carrier, representing the Readsboro Lions Club said that they would be happy to put on the BBQ for us. They would serve ½ a chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, rolls and butter. They also supply paper goods, utensils and a handi-wipe. Today's price would be \$12. They could also add corn on the cob for an additional \$1. They do NOT supply beverages or dessert.

P.G. said they would want to know the number of dinners 2 weeks prior to the event (July 18, 2020). Motion was made by Julie and seconded by Mary that we to engage the Readsboro Lions Club to provide the Chicken BBQ for Saturday, August 1, 2020. Motion passed 6-0

Old Mailing List – Mary said that she needs the original list since the list she has doesn't show complete addresses. Deb said that she had been able to retrieve complete addresses and had sent it out. No one had received it so she will try again.

Deb also reported that every few days she posts a list of people on FaceBook that we need addresses for, but hasn't received many responses. She asked that any mailing and/or email addresses you know or obtain should be sent to the OHW yahoo account and she can cross reference them. It was agreed that we would look at the mailing lists after the meeting to help Deb.

Jim reported that he has heard from several groups wanting to march in the parade: American Legion from Keen/Brattleboro, a bag pipe unit and the Hills Bandwagon have responded to date. Nicki reported that Bonnie Lormier has volunteered to encourage local groups/floats to be represented in the parade.

The Parade is scheduled to start at 11 A.M. on Saturday, August 1, 2020.

Nicki reported that the decal is just slightly too big for the tax bill envelope...so she has been trimming them to fit...thanks Nicki.

Sally volunteered to put some decals in the Welcome Center on I-91 next spring/early summer

#### **New Business:**

Julie mentioned that someone had suggested we might put luminaries around the athletic field. The thought was that it might be tied in with the Memory Wall.

Nicki, Deb and Mary would still like to have a short tutorial with Fran Cunningham regarding the web site and how to add things to it, etc. D.J. will get in touch with her to find out when she is available

Nicki reported that Black Diamond will do balloons again. She mentioned that CS Wurzberger is concerned about the kind of balloons that would be used and what they might do to animals and the environment. She suggested using an environmentally friendly product, Nicki will check with CS and see if she might want to contribute to this project.

Nicki said she thought someone should attend a Rotary meeting as she and Deb did for Wilmington Works to let them know the plans and see if, perhaps, they would want to contribute toward the weekend's events in some way.

The Wilmington Fire Department is good to go with a competition down on the field Saturday afternoon. It could be water polo, relay races and/or midnight alarm. It might also involve kids' games.

Tent: Nicki wondered if we should be reserving a tent since we don't know if it will be possible to share one with the Farmer's Day Fair. Julie thought we should check with the fair committee first. D.J. will check as to who they use. We will also need tables and chairs.

Nicki then presented an outline of what the weekend looks like as of now and things the Old Home Week Committee is responsible for:

On-going:	Memory and Welcome Walls - Historical and Business Displays Memory Walk-Shelly Clark - luminaries Geo Cache -Rebecca Sweeney	
Thursday, July	y 30, 2020 - Reg	istration/Memorabilia sales - Historical Society will take charge
Friday, July 31	Ice C	stration/Memorabilia Sales – Historical Society ream Social – Nido -Family/Business ge Stroll and Blueberry Festival Block Party
Saturday. August 1, 2020 –		11 A.M. Parade (need Judges and Grand Marshal) After parade lunch for bands/others (food trucks, church groups, school groups etc.) 1:30 Town Photo/Individual Photos

	Fire Department competition – Family Fun 2-5 P.M. House Tour (last time 1-4 P.M.) (4-7?) Chicken BBQ/welcome/awards 8P.M. Class /Family Reunions
Sunday, August 2, 2020	Good-bye Breakfast Tour Old School/Memorial Hall Basement
Other Ideas:	Band Concert

Jim will ask Rich Caplan about having a hot dog stand on the ball field, after the parade.

Julie will ask Trish Appel it she can help us get some preliminary data on t-shirts

Jim Dassatti presented the committee with a packet outlining a proposal to have the Living History Association hold a Time Line Event in conjunction with the Old Home Week 2020 celebration. In addition to the events planned for Howe Field, the participants would be encouraged to march in the parade.

Jim also presented the committee with an outline of a Self-Guided Historical Driving Tour of the Deerfield Valley from Dover to Readsboro. He would like us to consider any money that we raise be put toward a kiosk along this route.

**Next Meeting:** July 11, 2019 **NOTE**: This is the second Thursday in July, since the first Thursday is a holiday.

### Tasks to be done:

Deb will re-email the missing alumni address list to the Committee.

D.J. will check with check with Fran Cunningham regarding a good time for a tutorial on our web site. D.J. will also check with the Farmer's Day Fair committee about who they use for their tent as well as for tables and chairs.

Jim will talk with Rich Caplan about a hot dog stand on the ball field, after the parade. Julie will ask Trish Apell about data on t-shirts.

Nicki will see if CS Wurzberger might want to contribute in some way to the balloons. Sally will put some decals in the Welcome Center on I-91 next spring/early summer.

Being there no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:53 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Bogard, Secretary