

## www.wilmingtonohw2020.org FaceBook: Wilmington Old Home Week 2020

Present: Nicki Steel, DJ Boyd, Mary Genella, Julie Moore, Carl Swanson, Stacie Brooks, Jim Dassatti, Cliff Duncan and Deb Boyd.

Nicki called the July 8, 2021 OHW committee meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Mary made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 24<sup>th</sup> OHW committee meeting; Carl seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mary reported that she has been receiving donations and chicken BBQ ticket orders. The Town of Dover's donation towards one of the bands was received. Nicki said that 3 of the 7 bands have been sponsored, and there's a possibility that 2 more will be as well! We currently have \$7758.74 in our checking account and \$20,050.47 in our savings account. Stacie made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report; DJ seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mary will be gone for a week beginning 7/22. During her absence Stacie will check the mailbox for us.

Nicki shared that Jim, Bonnie, Erin Lackey from the MOOver and she met recently to go over parade information. On Saturday August 7<sup>th</sup> the MOOver will provide a shuttle to the staging area at the Chimney Hill entrance. The shuttle will pick riders up at the bottom of OSEC's hill beginning at 9:15 AM, and every 15 minutes thereafter till 10:30 AM. Bonnie hasn't yet received any float applications, and we were asked to encourage folks wanting to enter a float in the parade to file their applications sooner than later. The State parade permit has been filed.

The West Dover Congregational Church will be providing detour personnel for the parade. Carl made a motion to donate \$500 to them for their assistance; Mary seconded the motion and all were in favor. Local area maps will be given to people participating in the parade as well as those being detoured. The Deerfield Valley Rotary will provide people on Hayford field, helping direct floats at the end of the parade route. There is a good possibility that additional parking may be had on the field. Nicki will further research the possibility.

Jessica Hammond and Becca Sweeney recently met to discuss activities to be held on Hayford field Saturday afternoon. We know that the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum will have a tent and animals, and the Hills Bandwagon will provide a free concert.

Signs for OHW have been ordered. Ads have been appearing in the Deerfield Valley News and we've received feedback from folks who've seen them. An ad for the chicken BBQ will appear this week and next, with a request for entries to the Wilmington Wall the following week. A notice about us having a booth at the July 17<sup>th</sup> Village Stroll will also be in next week's paper. The last 2 OHW ads will be full back page, color ads. The

last week before OHW the first color edition of the Cracker Barrel will be issued, with an article about OHW in it by Nathan Moore. Nicki said she met with Chris Mays today from the Brattleboro Reformer.

The Friday night After Party at the Old Red Mill is a "go", with water and light snacks being served. The Class of 1980 plans to have its reunion during the After Party.

Pictures of the Silent Auction items have been shared on FaceBook, and some of the non-light-sensitive items are on display in one of the Town Office's windows.

Julie said there are enough volunteers for the Registration booth.

Stacie said on-line memorabilia sales are going well.

Although Jake White recently passed away, he and Walt White will still be our Grand Marshals for our OHW celebration. It is likely members of Jake's family will fill his position in the parade. Loren Pike and Owen Grinold, both second graders in 2010 and 2020 graduates, and Hannah Sullivan, a 2021 TVMHS graduate, will be carrying our OHW banner. Noah Yule, Ashlyn Rice and Morgan O'Neil, our Junior Marshalls, will be also be marching in the parade.

Cliff said he met with the tent and port-a-potty companies. There will be 2 port-a-potties at the staging area and 5 (3 standard and 2 handicap accessible units) on the ballfield. Becca and Nicki will meet with Cliff soon to determine the location of the tent. Cliff will contact the Deerfield Valley Farmers Day Association and ask about borrowing some of their picnic tables and trash cans. Carl will follow up with Karl Nielsen and Roland Schneider about their assistance with Sunday's cleanup.

Duncan Cable will film this year's OHW parade, but they are not sure if the tape can be reproduced for sale. Cliff asked us to ask the public if anyone took any 2010 parade footage, and if so, if they would be willing to share it with Duncan Cable. The footage can be emailed to: <u>c.duncan@duncancable.com</u>.

Jim asked for clarification of the criteria the judges will be using to judge parade entries. It was also confirmed that certificates, vs trophies, will be presented to the winners.

Our next OHW meeting will be held July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM at the OSEC building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Deb Boyd, for Scott Olmstead

Old Home Week Committee: Nicki Steel-Chair, DJ Boyd-Vice Chair, Scott Olmstead-Secretary, Mary Genella-Treasurer; At-Large Members: Deb Boyd, Stacie Brooks, Julie Moore, Carl Swanson and Barker Willard, III