

Bristol Community Events Committee
Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2018

Committee Members in Attendance: Sharon Orvis, Hilda Bruno, Les Dion, Christina Goodwin, Kris Bean, Barbara Greenwood

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

Brochure:

The fall/winter brochure was reviewed by the Committee. Final edits need to be submitted to Claire Moorhead by end of day today. It was suggested that the Committee consider pictures from events for next year's brochures.

Scarecrow Contest:

The entries have been slow but the weather has been limited too. A new posting will be posted on Facebook. Judging needs to be completed the week of October 22nd and winners will be announced on Facebook and at Halloween. There will be five (5) top winners picked.

Apple Festival (TTCC Event):

A good event but a little slow in traffic for the crafters this year. It was suggested that the event expand to the Square and the Park with things like pressing cider, games, dunking for apples etc. Add balloons in the Square to advertise as well.

Halloween:

No zombie competition this year, but could have people dress up and mix and mingle with the crowd or pose at a possible picture station, where people can sit on hay bales. Les will look into costume ideas and costs.

Parade will have one police cruiser in front and one in the back. We will give out noisemakers for the parade as the band wasn't able to make it. Christina will issue a challenge to the Town Departments to submit an entry in the parade and show their community spirit.

The Committee reviewed the poster. Will have Teen Council Haunted Basement added and correct typos.

The surprise event will start right after the parade and the Police will close off downtown intersection to let them participate in full view of the public. Christina will coordinate with the group to prepare.

Christina will ask Nik about having a drone go over the event and the surprise. The drone is currently being used to create a video to get people interested in Bristol.

Lions Club is all set. Christina will contact the sausage cart to make sure they are all set.

Christmas Tree Lighting:

Christina will contact Mike Lemieux to make sure he is all set.

Lucille will check with Al Blakely for announcing.

The Committee will create an ad to solicit people who might be interested in showing off musical talents as we would like to give spotlight to individuals who may want to sing. Carolers will still be in attendance as well.

For the advertising, the poster will be corrected to reflect Santa visits at the TTCC at 6:15pm.

At the TTCC, the group would like to add music, information on what the Town is doing, Bicentennial information, stations for kids activities, Teen Council selling xmas bags, a station to sign up to volunteer for events throughout the year, etc.

Mud Season Mixer:

The Committee would like to continue with the event but try a different band. Christina will reach out to Uncle Steve Band to see if they would like to be that band for the event on March 30, 2019.

Thank you to Concert Sponsors:

The concert sponsors will be invited to the 10/25 Select Board meeting. Christina will send the invitations out to all of the sponsors. Les will write up something for the Board to read. Claire has created thank you certificates. Christina will have the Board sign, purchase frames and have ready for the night. A picture of the sponsors will be taken at the meeting and used in a more formal notification and thank you for donating money to keep the concerts going.

Budget:

The Committee agreed to keep the budget as was proposed for 2018.

Other:

The Committee discussed discontinuing the decorating contest. They will bring different ideas to the next meeting. Christina will bring up some ideas about a type of Where's Rudolph contest as well.

Meetings:

Regular Committee meetings are normally held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 10:00am at the TTCC and additional meetings are scheduled as needed.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2018 at 10:00 am at the TTCC.

Having no other business to conduct the Community Events Committee was adjourned at 11:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christina Goodwin