

1 **Old Home Day Committee Minutes**
2 **Wednesday June 2, 2010**

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4 Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2010

5 Type of Meeting: Regular meeting

6 Method of Notification: Public Posting – Two locations at Town Hall and Post Office

7 Meeting Location: Sandown Town Hall

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9 **Attendees:**

10 Tim Rand – Entertainment Co-Chair

11 Rick Deluca – Entertainment Co-Chair

12 Nelson Rheaume – Selectman Liaison

13 Paula Gulla – Citizen of the Year Committee Chair

14 Karen Jortberg – Parade Chair/Fireworks Chair

15 Barbara Kayyal – Rides/Recording Secretary

17 Absent: Donna Martin, Erica Olsen, Arthur Genualdo,

18 Late to arrive: Barbara Kayyal

19 Call to Order: Chair Donna Martin was not able to attend tonight's meeting therefore, Karen Jortberg called the
20 meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

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22 **Old Business**

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24 **Review of the Meeting minutes of 5/5/10 .**

25 MOTION by Paula Gulla to accept the minutes as written; 2nd by Tim Rand; Motion passed unanimously.

26 Meeting minutes accepted by the committee.

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28 **Visitors:** There were no visitors at this meeting.

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30 **Reports from Sub-committees:**

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32 **Committee Chair:**

33 Nothing specific to report in this area.

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35 **Treasurer:**

36 Nothing specific to report in this area.

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38 **Marketing:**

39 Nothing specific to report in this area.

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41 **Site:**

42 Arthur Genualdo relayed the following information to Paula Gulla to report. He is in the process of completing
43 the facilities form in order to use the Sandown Central School. Tom Tombarello has agreed to perform the
44 electrical hookups. Porta-johns have been ordered through Pete's Sewer Service. Artie is working on a flyer for
45 the parade to solicit antique cars.

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47 **Parade:**

48 Karen Jortberg reported that she had the AmeriKids Baton Twirling group from Auburn is lined up for the
49 parade at a cost of \$200. Also, she tentatively had the Sons of Italy band from Haverhill at a cost of \$900. A Cub
50 Scout pack will be marching as well as several dance companies including ABC Dance, LA Dance and possibly
51 Hampstead Dance. Both ABC and LA Dance will also perform during the afternoon. Karen made a suggestion
52 that maybe the dance companies could stop during the parade briefly in front of the Fire Station for a short
53 performance. The train company will be included in the parade, however, the train cannot operate on sand, so a
54 route will need to be determined for the rest of the afternoon. Karen made a suggestion that maybe North Shore
55 Road could be used if possible.

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58 Vendors:
59 Nothing specific to report in this area

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61 Entertainment:

62 Tim Rand reported that he has a jazz/funk band which will play for a half hour time slot, the vocalist with the
63 harp is still available but will substitute a guitar for the harp, ABC dance will perform. Tim is looking into some
64 additional acts such as dog trainers and magicians for additional variety. Bands such as Blue Matter, Cosmic
65 Breeze will play. There will be an impersonator lined up. Rick DeLuca reported that several of the prior
66 Hometown Idol winners may sing. Zorvino's will be sponsoring the pie eating contest again this year, however,
67 it is likely they will not purchase the pies. Shawn Allen will continue to participate mainly with the Hometown
68 Idol program. Tim and Rick will have a schedule of events prepared for the next meeting.

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70 Rides:

71 Barbara Kayyal reported that Miller Entertainment will not be able to participate in this year's celebration.
72 Barbara tried to work out a solution with the company but they just were not able to work us into their schedule
73 this year. Therefore the budget may need further revision to allocate additional funds back into the rides budget.
74 Barbara stated if we want Miller for next year, it was suggested to book them in December of January and we
75 must provide a \$500 deposit. Barbara could not find a similar company to Miller. Bounce rides were discussed
76 as an alternative option as in previous years and the members discussed the need to book them soon to avoid
77 another scheduling conflict. The consensus was to move forward with the bounce rides. The members
78 discussed who would man the rides and it was mentioned that Ski Club members may be an option. There could
79 be an incentive for those who man a ride for a discount for the ski season. Party Playland in Hampstead was
80 mentioned as a possible vendor at a price of \$85/day. Barbara will check out the details and contact them.

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82 The members discussed the dates of Old Home Days and how in previous years, Old Home Days was
83 determined as the second Sunday in August. This year, the celebration does not coincide with the Meeting
84 House ceremony since Old Home Days is actually the second full weekend in August but the third Sunday.
85 Members briefly discussed whether a date change should be considered and after a short discussion, it was
86 decided to leave the dates as planned.

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88 Several other suggestions were made regarding vendors for rides and entertainment including Fiesta Shows,
89 Lagasse Amusements in Haverhill.

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91 The outdoor drive-in suggestion was investigated and it was determined to be cost prohibitive at \$2,000.

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93 Rick spoke about the Friday night events and the Town Hall will be booked for an Oldies dance with a BYOB.
94 Paula Gulla will book the hall and Rick will speak to the Police Department about the Police detail.

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96 The members discussed the need to meet more than once per month and in order to check available dates for
97 future meetings the committee recessed briefly.

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99 The members reconvened and the committee will meet on June 23rd at 7:00 pm in the Selectmen's Office due to
100 space constraints.

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102 Barbara questioned if other clubs such as Mother's Club and Ski Club would be doing any rides, games etc. and
103 they will be contacted.

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109 the parade to solicit antique cars.

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114 Event MC:
115 Both Tim and Rick mentioned that they will most likely be the main announcers of the events and
116 entertainment. Paula Gulla mentioned that announcements can be made during the road race of upcoming
117 events.

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119 Citizen of the Year:
120 Paula Gulla reported that she made contact with ESCO Awards and the clock had been ordered. She is currently
121 working on the flyer, press release and had recently obtained the submission boxes.

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123 Fireworks Committee:
124 Karen Jortberg reported that everything is set with the fireworks to take place at North Rd. Bruchetti's may sell
125 pizza and Ed Mencis will be selling fried dough. Rick will most likely provide his equipment for karaoke as he
126 did last year.

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128 Review of the schedule lineup:
129 As mentioned previously, Tim and Rick will have a schedule of events prepared for the next meeting.

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131 Review of Correspondence:
132 Paula Gulla read into the record a letter received from the Recreation Director Deb Brown. A copy of the letter
133 is attached to these minutes for reference. Basically the canopy and picnic tables will not be available for use by
134 the Old Home Days Committee this year. The Recreation Director did offer a 10X20 canopy for use and the
135 committee members agreed it would help. Other options were discussed by the committee members and the
136 school and St. Matt's will be contacted to see about tables and/or a canopy.

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138 New Business:
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140 The next meeting will be held on June 23rd at 7:00pm in the lower Town Hall or Selectmen's Office depending
141 on space availability. Public is welcome.

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143 MOTION by Paula Gulla to adjourn the meeting; 2nd Tim Rand; Motion passed unanimously.

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145 The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

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147 Respectfully submitted,

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151 Paula Gulla
152 Recording Secretary

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May 24, 2010

Old Home Day Committee
Attn: Donna Martin, Chairman
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RE: Canopies and Picnic Tables

Dear Donna:

As you are probably aware, during the past several Old Home Day Celebrations the Parks and Recreation Department has been pleased to be able to offer the use of large sized canopies and picnic tables for the day's events. This was able to happen due to Old Home Day taking place prior to the end of the 7-Week Summer Recreation Program. Unfortunately the Parks and Recreation Department will not be able to provide these items this year due to the late date of Old Home Day on Aug. 14th.

The Summer Program ends on Friday, August 13th. What many folks are unaware of is the time and labor it takes to set up and then break down the program. The staff begins breaking down some items by Wednesday of the last week. At 4 PM on Friday, August 13th, it is a full-out effort for the next 4-5 hours for our 14-16 member staff to disassemble, inventory, pack, transport and then unpack and store all equipment to its storage place. We even have the need to hire a rental truck with a ramp to move everything. The commercial size and weight of the canopies makes it necessary for a crew of 10 to disassemble as quickly and safely as possible due to the weight and size. The many pieces to the canopies need to be packed and secured in storage prior to other equipment which needs to be unpacked and stored. The nine 300 lb picnic tables take a crew of 4-5 to move safely. It takes at least 2.5 hours just to transport these tables back from the school.

At the end of the day on 8/13/10 my staff is dismissed for the summer and I do not have their availability after that date. The Recreation Commission apologies for any inconvenience this may mean for your plans but hopes you understand that timing and staff availability is a primary key to our operation.

I would be able to make available for your use, a 10 ft x 20 ft canopy that is mid-weight and would only require 3-4 people to set up. It would need to be staked into the ground appropriately. If this would be of any use to you, please don't hesitate to let me know and I will make sure it is available for you to set-up at least by the day prior to Old Home Day.

We look forward to being able to provide the use of the canopies in the future when Old Home Day takes place earlier in the month of August and during the weeks of the Summer Program.

Sincerely,

Deb Brown

Deb Brown
Recreation Director