

Old Home Day Committee Minutes

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Type of Meeting: Virtual Meeting (First 2021 Meeting)

Meeting Location: Virtual UberConference Call in 978-234-4771

Agenda Link: <https://www.sandown.us/sites/sandownnh/files/agendas/04142020.pdf>

Open Meeting 7:35pm

In attendance: Chair- Patricia (Pat) Kimball, Joseph Taylor, Krystin Friling, Frank Motard 11, Melyssa Tapley

Absent: William Fanning, Tara Eggleston-Johnston, Kristin Handy, Selectman Liaison Tom Tombarello

Chair Pat Kimball called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm

Chair Pat Kimball opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open to Public Comment/Input

No Public Comment/Input

Introduction of New Members:

This year the OHD Committee is starting off with several new members. New members are Joseph Taylor, Krystin Friling, Frank Motard 11 and Melyssa Tapley.

Each member introduced themselves and why they wanted to be on the Committee.

After not having Old Homes Days last year due to the Covid Pandemic all the Committee members have the same thing in common to plan a fun event to bring everyone back together.

Chairman:

The Committee voted that Patricia Kimball would be the 2021 OHD Chair..

Motion:

Pat Kimball makes motion to remain Chair of the OHD Committee.

Krystin Friling seconds the motion.

Pat calls the vote. All in Favor. Motion passes unanimously.

Vice Chair- Open

Secretary:

Motion:

Melyssa Tapley makes a motion to be the Secretary for the OHD Committee.

Frank Motard seconds the motion.

Pat calls the vote. All in favor. Motion passes unanimously.

Treasurer: Open

Motion:

Pat Kimball makes a motion to leave the Treasurer position open at this time. Tara Johnston was Treasurer last year, and will verify that Tara Johnston is still interested in being on the Committee, and serve another year as Treasurer.

Joseph Taylor seconds the motion.
Pat calls the vote. All in favor. Motion passes unanimously.

Budget:

Subcommittee's:

Chair Pat Kimball reviewed the responsibilities of the Subcommittees.

Subcommittees are:

- Marketing – Signs, advertisement, Channel 17, flyers, invites to local groups to participate.
- Site – location determined, time, electric hookups, water, porta johns , parking, security, placement.
- Rides – Carnival games, climbing wall
- Parade- Floats, route, coordinating with Police and Fire Dept
- Vendors – Advertise, contact prior vendors
- Entertainment – Local, magicians, musicians, entertainers,
- Citizen of the Year- Boston Cane Recipient – who is the oldest Sandown resident?
- Special Recognitions
- Friday Night Events- Confirm that Sandown Historical Society will support a beer/wine fundraiser and confirm night entertainment for Adults, Teenage events Chili/Chowder Cookoff -
- Firework Information – Recommend to Selectman that they be held on September 11, 2021
- Logistics/Supplies available/inventory conducted last year
- Sunday event?

Site:

OHD has been held the second week in September for the last several years. The Committee discussed and looked at other potential weekends, and after reviewing other activities the committee decided upon the weekend of September 10-12 to hold the OHD on this weekend. The committee understands the restraints that may need to be considered if the pandemic changes, or other scheduled conflicts and may have to adjust accordingly.

Sandlots approved the use of their facilities last year. Pat will contact Linda Mencis and request the use of Sandlots for this year's OHD, once determined what the venue will be. Pat will also request the use of the Recreation Center for other events.

Motion:

Pat makes a motion to make September 10-12th the primary dates for OHD.

Joseph second the motion.

Pat calls the vote. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Post Meeting – Committee will recommend another date, as September 11th 20th Anniversary.

Location:

Previously during hold days, there was an adult event, which included a Chili/Chowder Cookoff, music and the Historical Society sets up a Beer/wine tent, and held at the Sandown Recreation Center. The committee discussed looking into having a similar event this OHD.

Frank Motard mentioned maybe putting something together for the teenagers Friday night also. The committee discussed some ideas and the possibility of an outdoor Movie Theater. Melyssa Tapley discussed the possibility of maybe doing a bonfire and roasting marshmallows, making it a social, fun and safe event for the evening.

Pat mentioned she would check with the availability of Sandlots and the Rec Field for the OHD Events, and will report back to the committee at the next meeting.

Events:

Planning the OHD event following a pandemic has added new challenges for the Committee to factor in.

The Committee has to reach out to vendors they have used in the past to see if they are available and if they are comfortable doing an event like OHD. There was discussion if vendors are uncomfortable attending in person is there a way to do it virtually.

Frank Motard brought up that there are a lot of local small business in Town the Committee should reach out and see if they would like to have a tent at OHD. There was discussion if the Committee cannot get enough vendors maybe doing some kind of yard sale or farmer's market.

In the past OHD events started with Rock Church doing a Pancake Breakfast, followed by the Parade starting around 9. The Committee needs to check to see if Rock Church will be doing their Pancake Breakfast this year, and if they could use the large tent.

OHD in the past has started early in the day on Saturday with the early scheduled events and the parade. There were Bouncy houses for the children, and vendors at the Rec Field ending around 3., with Fireworks wrapping up the day over at Playmates, starting at 8:00 pm and wrapping up around 9:30pm.

The Committee discussed maybe starting later in the day and maybe having the events all in one location with the Fireworks wrapping up the day.

The Committee has to start reaching out to vendors, work on marketing the event, see what is left from OHD events in the past, entertainment, figure out a parade route, food, and check with local clubs and charities to see if they will be participating.

Entertainment:

Pat brought up she has reached out to the Black Light Band that has played at the Friday night event in the past and said they would do it again. She also mentioned if bands are not available looking into a DJ for entertainment is a possibility, and possible entertainment for the teenage night event.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting scheduled for April 6, 7:30 pm virtually.

Motion:

Melyssa made a motion to have April 6th as the next OHD meeting. Pat seconds the motion. Pat calls the vote. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Adjourn:

Melyssa made a motion to Adjourn the meeting. Pat seconded the motion. Pat called the vote. All in favor. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting Adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melyssa Tapley

Recording Secretary