

PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS C OMMITTEE MEETING
September 4, 2024
Room 205

**Attending: Larry Russo Roz Gallagher Barbara Kapi Whitney Mooney
Cheryl Ellison Mikell Foggett Megan Foggett**

Chairman Roz Gallagher called the meeting to order at 5:39p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Larry Russo informed us that we have 32, 534.00 in the bank

9/11 Commemoration: Tuesday at 10 a.m. has been scheduled for this event, with the Sheehan High School students singing the national anthem. The block in front of the town hall will be closed.

Veteran's Day: No report

Halloween: Roz gave an update on the event as follows:

Letters have been sent to the Fire Dept., the Police Dept., as well as Public Works, notifying them of the October 25th date.

The electric box in front of the building has been upgraded.

Music for the parade will be worked out by Roz.

Tablecloths have been ordered through Fun Express.

An inventory of cups needed for popcorn will be done soon.

Goodie bags totaling 900 will be filled by Park & Rec., with \$200 worth of candy being donated by Wal Mart.

Larry Russo will order ten bags of popcorn from the local movie theater, with 5 donated and 5 we will pay for.

Cider & donuts will be picked up by Park & Rec employees.

Whitney will contact White Way for mats to cover electrical cords and connections.

The show mobile has been reserved for Johnny Roz's needs.

A 15 foot skeleton will be looked into for decoration.

Committee members are asked to report to the town hall at 3 p.m. that day.

Two cotton candy stations need to be set up, with two tables each needed.

Arts & Crafts will need two tents and 4 tables, with additional lighting required.

Cider & donuts will need 2 tables, as well as 2 more for the distribution of the goodie bags.

Beaumont farms will be contacted for corn stalks, and 6 bales of hay to decorate the show mobile.

Pumpkins need to be picked up and set up on the parade route. Only 40 pumpkins may be necessary, but we will need 3 tea lights in each carved piece.

The War monuments will be roped off to prevent children from climbing on them.

Volunteers from the Rotary Club and Sheehan High School will help out.

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Seasons of Celebration: The recap is as follows; All permits have been approved for the December 7th event.

Roz will check with the Police Dept. to possibly ban outside vendors during the festivities.

Santa has been hired by Johnny Roz, with the guidelines that all kids in line will be seen by him.

Thompson Candy chocolate candy has been ordered, with a holiday motif give- a-ways to the children.

Mary Ellen Eckles has agreed to bring her drama members to show up in costumes that day.

The microphone system needs to be checked.

A list of volunteers is being worked on.

Liz Landau will approach Choate to possibly supply hot chocolate to go along with 900 cookies from Krafty Kakes.

Mayor Cervoni has agreed to arrive on a Fire Dept. vehicle down at the gazebo area for the tree lighting.

Former Mayor Dickinson will be approached to repeat his traditional performance as a toy soldier under the archway in front of the town hall.

Larry will take care of the petting zoo from Lyman Hall Vo-Ag center. If they wish to take orders for Xmas wreaths, as they did last year, that is fine too.

A horse and buggy ride has been taken care of by Johnny Roz.

Elves on the shelf will be repeated as it was a hit last year. Letters to Santa and adoption papers for the elves need to be done.

Glow sticks for distribution at the tree lighting have been ordered. Names are to be drawn to pick a child to light the tree at Johanna Fishbein gazebo.

Decorating the foyer of the town hall will commence on December 2nd, from 8:30 to 11:00. Public Works will be there to help at 8:30. January 3rd will be the date to dismantle the decorations, at the same time as above.

October 1st is our next meeting at 5:30, in room 205.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Kapi, secretary.