PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes, May 12, 2025

Room 205. Town Hall

Attending: Larry Russo Roz Gallagher Barbara Kapi Jackee McNamee Mikell Germond

Chairman Roz Gallagher called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved Larry Russo.

The purpose of this meeting is to review our budget needs and request for the upcoming year.

Treasurer Larry Russo reported that our financial report is up to date, with the exception of three invoices ,which are needed to match the expenditures. Roz immediately informed Larry that she had the paper work with, so all is complete..

A budget summary is as follows: Halloween, last year's approved budget---\$7,050

Spent---\$7,172.79

Requested 25 -- \$7,750

Veteran's Day,

approved---\$500

Spent--\$638

Seasons of Celebration

requested --\$18,840

Spent--\$18.365

MLK Day

approved ---\$300

Spent--\$300

Requested --\$300

Memorial Day

no receipts to date

Requested --\$4,825

Our total expenditure to date is \$32,215. We have \$11, 071.28 remaining in our account. Projecting an expenditure of approximately \$44,300 for Memorial Day, we have \$6,771 left. An additional \$2,000 may be added to the budget from the Probate Court, but at this moment it is not officially in the budget.

We need to contact our biggest supplier of assorted give-aways for the attending children. Roz is to set up a convenient date to meet with Shawn from Park & Rec to formulate an order from Oriental Express(Fun Express).

2026 Festival to commemorate 250 years of our democracy. An estimated \$78,000 is needed, but the council is reluctant to allocate this amount. It has been suggested that 50% be supplied by the town, with remaining half be a result of fund raising. Hopefully patrons will come forth with donations.

Seasons of Celebrations has been set for December 6th. Decorating the front foyer of the Town Hall will be December 1st, at 8:30. Removing everything will take place December 29th, at the same time.

Our next meeting will be August 18th.

The meeting wa adjourned at 6:09

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