

WALLINGFORD CELEBRATES AMERICA 250

MINUTES

AUGUST 5, 2025

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AT 9:40 a.m. AND RECEIVED BY
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Roz called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Those in attendance were Liz Landow, Tara Knapp, Shawn Keogh, Bob Beaumont, Jerry Farrell, Jr., Renee Miller, and Roz Gallagher. Absent were Bob Devaney and Alison Cady.

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Liz reported that she and Alison have been in contact with Mark Vogt and Rob Fritz regarding the Porch Fest and Art Show activities.

The Committee reviewed the order of events for the official announcement of Wallingford Celebrates America 250 which will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at the Wallingford Historical Society, 180 South Main Street...rain or shine.

An update was given on the fundraising. The following pledges have been received:

Masonicare \$2500.00
Choate Rosemary Hall \$5000.00
Gaylord Specialty Care \$5000.00
Ulbrich Specialty Metals \$2500.00

Roz reminded everyone we would like to complete the fundraising by August 31, 2025 but would be open to any sponsorships received after that date.

Shawn discussed the variety and number of food trucks we would like to have. He will contact the Fire Marshall and Health Department for specifications. Roz shared a hand out from Risk Management regarding food trucks.

Insurance for entrants in the Parade was discussed and Renee will do a follow up on the requirements with Risk Management.

Liz suggested an area be assigned to have "monster trucks" and a fire truck for Family Day.

Roz will coordinate am meeting with Shawn Keogh and Sean Doherty to plan Family Day.

Renee will create an online sign up platform for the Parade
A discussion took place regarding music, school bands, etc. for the Parade. Renee will do a follow up on this.

Roz will check with Risk Management to see if our Committee and its activities are covered under the Town insurance. We may have to buy our own for the weekend.

Roz will meet with Tara and Kyle Swartz about putting the announcement event on the Town website and using other social media.

The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, August 26 at 8:30 a.m. at Le Jardin.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Roz Gallagher