Public Celebrations Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2026

Town Hall Room 205

Attending: Erin Benham Debbie Reynolds Roz Gallagher Megan Foggitt Mikyl Germond Barbara Kapi

The meeting was called to order at 5:33p.m. by Chairman Roz Gallagher

Johnny Roz's plans for the Halloween event was discussed, as well as Mary Ellen's theatrical group adding many more characters. Coli Bernard needs 2 or 3 young men to help set up tents the night before. Sixteen tables will be required also. A floor plan will be distributed to the members. Cancellation will be announced by Wednesday morning (October 21) if bad weather is predicted. Volunteers are to report by 3 p.m. Friday. Barbara Kapi is to pick up the cotton candy machines Friday a.m. Roz distributed task sheet for all the members, so no confusion should occur. We have one toy soldier scheduled, but we will contact former mayor Dickinson if he would like to repeat his past performances. A Santa has been reserved, but we need to ask Ruth Palmer if she could be Mrs. Claus once again.

Seasons of Celebration will be featured in the Wallingford Magazine, Franks' printing will do up 20 posters for the committee. Choate will once again donate the hot cocoa for the day. Krafty Kakes will be notified for our order of chocolate chip cookies as well as M & M cookies. A petting zoo will be provided by the LHHS Vo-Ag dept. We have asked that they display sample Christmas wreaths for the citizenry of Wallingford to order the Christmas season. Vendors need to send their invoices to Roz by 11/22 to be processed by the finance dept. Sean Keogh and Barbara Kapi will meet to complete our order from Oriental Trading Co. The Wallingford Chorus will perform at the gazebo at 4.pm. We will need tags to get the names of the children interested in lighting the tree.

Decorating the foyer of the Town Hall is scheduled for November 30th at 8:30 a.m. Our next meeting will held on November 9th, in room 205 at 5:30 p.m. Removing the decorations will take place on January 4th , at 8:30 a.m..

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Kapi, secretary