

We have the opportunity to have a carnival and food truck festival the weekend of September 14 – 16, 2018 in conjunction with the state convention.

Captain Theriault, Lieutenant Baldwin, Mark Wilson and I met with the owners of Milestone Midways of Bristol, Ct. on August 8th.

The following information was discussed:

They will bring 8 – 10 rides. Small kiddie rides are 2 tickets, regular kiddie rides are 3 tickets and major rides are 4 tickets. Tickets are \$ 1.00 each and sold individually. They are offering 22 tickets for \$ 22.00 or 40 tickets for \$35.00. On Friday night only, they would sell ride bracelets for \$ 25.00 each enabling riders to ride all night for this price instead of purchasing individual tickets.

They will also provide ride ticket sellers so we won't have to provide members for this task.

Hours of operation for the carnival will be as follows:

Friday September 14 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm, Saturday September 15 11:00 am – 10:00 pm and Sunday September 16 1:00 pm – 6:00.

Being a first time event, they will be doing ride percentage on a sliding scale. 0.00 - \$ 3,000.00 0% \$ 3,001 - \$ 10,000 15% \$ 10,001 - \$ 20,000 20% \$ 20,000 & over 25%.

As for concessions, Cotton Candy pays no rent but all others would be \$ 50.00 per concession. They will bring in the following food, fried dough, hot dogs, hamburgers, sausage & peppers and lemonade. They will also bring in game trailers which would also pay us \$ 50.00 per trailer. The carnival will be set up on the M. H. Rhodes property coming in approximately 75 feet from Thompson Road using an area of approximately 200 feet by 200 feet.

We are also looking into having fireworks on Saturday night to help draw more people to the carnival.

On August 29th, Captain Theriault, Steve Gottlieb and I met with Matt Soulier who is a food truck festival promoter. We discussed what would be involved in having a food truck festival and what was expected of us. He would line up 15 Food Trucks, who would pay us a fee of \$ 400.00 each to have their trucks involved in the event. Each owner would also provide us with their insurance certificate and

they are responsible for getting their truck inspected by the Farmington Valley Health District. He would start promoting the event in January on social media, as most food truck vendors set up their season by the end of February. As a way to gauge what size crowd to expect, people would usually hit the interested in attending logo on the facebook page. Usually the numbers are pretty close to the number of people who actually attend. If he sees the numbers increase as we get going, he could arrange for more trucks to attend our event. We would have the food trucks on Friday night and Saturday running the same hours as the carnival. Sunday we would have a limited number of food trucks due to the need for parking of the fire apparatus after the parade.

We also discussed selling beer and wine all 3 days. Matt would provide people to work the beer & wine area including selling tickets and pouring the beer and wine. We would get 30% of the total sales. Matt would also provide his own insurance for the beer & wine area naming the department as additionally insured and holding us harmless. It would not require any members of the department to be involved in this area.

If we see there is going to be large a numbers of attendees, we would look into off site parking and use buses to shuttle people to the event.

We will be asking the Connecticut Fire Police Association for their assistance with parking and for help with road closures on Sunday during the parade.

Expenditures for Carnival & Convention weekend

Police coverage	10,000.00
Trophies	1,500.00
Soda for giveaway	400.00
Beer	1,600.00
Hot Dogs for marchers, etc.	1,000.00
Ct. Firefighters Pipes & Drums	1,500.00
Portable lighting for parking area	750.00
Portable toilets & hand wash stations	1,500.00
Food for judges	300.00
Advertising signs, etc.	300.00
Fireworks	10,000.00
Ct. Firefighters Assoc.	500.00
High School Custodian	300.00
Food for President's reception	750.00
Tent for beer & wine area	1,000.00
Beer & wine permit	150.00
Minuteman Press invitations, etc.	120.00 already paid
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Total	\$ 31,670.00