

75th Anniversary Committee Minutes

July 11, 2018

Call to Order: 7:03 p.m.

Present: Dave Theriault, Diane Theriault, Steve McMahon, Bob Theriault, Steve Gottlieb, Maria Brighenti, Diane Delap, Fred Cote (Thompson), Kristen Shaw, Mike Galliher, Brian Baldwin, Scott Grizey, Jim Reber, Sharon Levine-Shein, Mark Connelly (Shelton), Luis Lema, Thomas (Christian) Becker, Chief Trick, Gina Kline, Jack Malaiszeski (Photographer), Casey McDermott, Glenn Grube (Library Director)

Minutes accepted.

Gina Kline: Presented Redneck Warrior Obstacle Challenge as possible fundraiser for Convention weekend. Gave examples of activities that could be done, rain or shine, i.e. potato sack, mud pit, bales of hay, etc. Motion to have it Convention weekend did not pass. Excellent idea maybe to use in the future.

Ad Book: Diane and Diane distributed about 35 Ad books to local community businesses. Distribution ongoing. Fire Departments will be held for Convention and mailed after to those who do not pick up.

Merchandise: Bob: Challenge coins would be 3.39 ea. Up to 299 plus \$100 set up fee; 300+ 3.00 per coin and no set up fee. Can be sold for \$10, cost would be \$900 for 300 coins, possible profit of \$2,100. Bob described both sides of coin, maltese cross on one side, 135th Convention on other, showed example. Voted to proceed with purchase. Will take 3-4 weeks to receive after order placed.

Convention Weekend: Tasks/Jobs/Food. Sgt. Gannon and Dave met with Valley Community Baptist Church. Lost parking lot Friday, Saturday, Sunday, can use lot Saturday night after 6:00 p.m. They will have some services on Sunday but be done before parade. They offered 12 people for litter patrol. PJ's church also will help with manpower. We need at least one greeter at host hotel.

Property owner adjacent to MH Rhodes said no to parking on their property.

May be able to use National Honor Society to help. High schools, Senior Center, Jennifer Bennett.

Insurance question to be cleared by Mike Galliher. Possibly sign waiver.

Put out to Avon Fire, job tasks, what we need with link to sign up on line. M. Galliher will set up Sign-up Genius.

Food:

Need someone to feed volunteers each day. Will set up meeting for food discussion.

Irregulars dinner, 80-100+ people-buffet line and carving station. Menu distributed.

Publicity: Glenn Grube (Avon Library Director): Manages town website. Get info. to him and his staff and they will get it out to town website (there are 1100 people signed). Also will put on community calendar. Put flyers at library outside entrance doors. Bulletin board and shelves for handouts. Leave handouts and flyers at circulation desk.

Also send info. to Sharon Henry, Parks and Rec. for email distribution through Rec. department.

Talked about Instagram...needs approval?

Events at library: July 24, 2:00 p.m. Movie for children, Planes, Fire & Rescue; Touch a Truck August 11 10:00-12:30. Glenn will check to see if we can sell merchandise.

Photographer: Jack M: Discussed direction for photos he's taken. Play video at dinners, meetings, receptions. Do we want DVD to sell or pass out of what he's taken? Presently has about 70 minutes. Will discuss further. He and Laura Ward need to connect. He's asking for hotel accommodations.

Open House: No report.

Hartford County Memorial Service: No report.

Next Meeting: August 16, Co. 1, 7:00 p.m.

Adjourned: 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Theriault and Diane Delap