

Bristol Community Events Committee
March 23, 2012
Meeting Minutes

Present: Christina Goodwin, Barbara Greenwood, Les Dion, Marjorie Gorman

Events:

Winter Event – Les Dion reported on the wrap up meeting for the Winter Event. This year it seemed that the focus was more at the park than the other locations, partly because of the lack of snow. Over 400 people attended the event. Over 100 participated in the chili fest. It is definitely an event that they will continue next year. They will look at scattering the schedule to keep all the different locations involved and consider fees from the event to be incorporated into paying for the event.

4th of July/Fireworks – The event for the 4th of July is scheduled for parade and fireworks on July 7 and a planned kickoff to the weekend with the first concert on July 5. Les will check with the baseball group to see if they would like to hold a movie event either at Kelley Park or Wells Field on Friday, July 6. The Committee agreed that this would be a nice touch to holiday weekend events.

Concerts:

Concert schedule – The Committee agreed to move forward with signing the contract for Claire Moorhead. Claire has scheduled the kickoff concert with Uncle Steve Band for July 5th. The group discussed decorating the pavilion and making the kickoff event a 4th of July theme. Claire has also booked Ben Rudnick for either July 19 or July 26. This concert will be the open house event for the TTCC. Other concert vendor ideas were submitted to the group and this information will be forwarded to Claire to review for potential ideas.

The Town of Hebron has started a concert series on Saturdays at 6:00pm beginning at the end of June and going through to their Family Fun Day in August. The group thought it would be a good idea to add these events to the possible idea of rack cards.

Food vendors – The Committee agreed that planning a dedicated food vendor gives people options and therefore, would like to continue with the Lion's Club. Other vendors are also welcome as needed for specialty items, such as ice cream or popcorn, etc.

Rack Cards/Other – The Committee reviewed a sample flyer for rack cards. They would like to get all the community events together for the Newfound Area and have on a rack card for easy

reference. We discussed naming the rack card some kind of catchy title, such as Newfound Neighbors or Newfound at a Glance. The group will continue to think about ideas for the next meeting. Les will update/renew the license needed as best we are able to determine. The different genres have different license requirements so it can be difficult to determine exactly which one is required.

Old Home Day:

Other – The group discussed ideas for Old Home Day; would like to continue with wagon rides, the tent, pony rides, and the water event. The group should be thinking of other ideas for events for Old Home Day for the next meeting. Les will check with the Fire Department for Friday night's spaghetti supper and also with Carroll Brown for music during dinner on Saturday night.

Other:

Budget – There is a concern that the budget will be cut because of the recent events of Town Meeting. At this time, the Committee would need to make plans accordingly when the final cuts are determined. Next year, it would be better to change the budget to one line, named Patriotic so the group can use the funds for different events throughout the year and this information submitted to the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen once planned and scheduled.

Other – Les will hold off scheduling a Kelley Park meeting. She would like to wait until the season has started to see how things are working out.

We will also include a copy of these minutes to Claire Moorhead to verify if she will be able to attend the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Friday, April 20th at 10 am at TTCC