

Ludlow MA 250TH Semiquincentennial Celebration Committee
Meeting Minutes for August 5, 2024

Attendees: Linda Collette, Kathy Ouimette, Bruce Durand, Regina Stanek, Christina Yacono, Brian Bylicki, Elaine Hodgman, Dave Sady & Michelle Larocque

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- Acceptance of minutes from July 15th meeting approved.
- Treasury report will final numbers came from Denise. \$67,606 balance in the account. Regina Stanek has officially taken over the position of Treasurer.
- Car Show debrief- \$720 brought in, 250th merchandise sold \$110, \$60 in Adirondack chair raffle tickets sold (6) and \$550 in raffle basket ticket sales.
- Brian Bylicki discussed the 250th history book, the work on the book is nearly completed and should be ready to go to print by mid September.
- History book status was reviewed. There is much more history and pictures that should be added to the book. An additional 40 pages will cost \$5,900. The committee felt that it is important to capture the history from the past 50 years to add to the book. Bruce Durand made a motion to purchase the additional 40 pages at the cost of \$5,900. Kathy Ouimette seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
- Volunteers needed to work the Festa booth, Aug 29, 30, and 31.
- Bruce would like as many volunteers as possible for the West Springfield 250th parade on August 24, 2024.
- Signage for Falling Into Fun event. Linda will order 100 yard signs at the cost of about \$400. We saved all of the metal posts from the Block Party Picnic and Parade signs so we'll save about \$200.
- Assignments for the Falling Into Fun event on 10-5 and 10-6.
- Linda to set up meeting with Celebrate Ludlow members at the end of August to discuss future Ludlow events.

Falling Into Fun

- Movie night details still being worked out – issues with licensing and setting up with the person who wanted to assist us with this. We may not be able to have a movie night.
- Sub committee members will be defined soon, and meetings will begin
- Christina will create banners/yard signs.
- Linda will order the banners and yard signs.
- Big fence sign from picnic will return showcasing our sponsors again for this event.

- Linda is recruiting all the trucks for the “Touch a Truck” event.
- Linda has started to book bands to play, she will need help with this effort. Bruce and Tony have offered to assist.
- Radio station 97.7 WARE will be broadcasting live at the event on Saturday morning.
- Roaming Railroad will be available for both days with free train rides for all from 12-5
- There are many cardboard trash receptacles left from the picnic, no additional are needed. They are stored at the DPW.
- Port-A-Potties will be ordered and will include sinks. Kathy has contacted the company and secured them.
- Vendor tents can be left in the park over night but there will not be security. Vendors can leave the tents up at their own risk.
- Vendor raffle donations will be on display at the 250th merchandise table and raffle tickets will also be sold there.
- Jill Krystofik will take care of all non-profit groups who wish to participate.
- Michelle L is taking care of all of the craft vendors.
- Linda, Kathy and Bruce are scheduled to meet with LPD and LFD Chiefs, as well as the DPW to discuss the details of this event.
- Kathy is working on securing parking and bussing.
- Roz Sousa and Dave Sady will be in charge of the trash detail.
- Elaine H has been asked to contact Tom Ricardi, Birds of Prey, to come out to do an exhibition.
- Kathy will contact Lupa Zoo to participate.
- Regina will be in charge of selling 250th merchandise.
- Linda working with Manuel Amusements.
- Photography – Christina and Dave
- Kids Corner crafts and fun games

Motion to adjourn by Bruce Durand at 8:15. Seconded by Linda. All in favor, motion passed.

Next meeting on September 4, 2024 at Town Hall, Hearing Room 1 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Collette, Chair

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