

MINUTES OF THE WALLINGFORD PUBLIC

CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: November 9, 2009

LOCATION: Wallingford Town Hall
Room 116

ATTENDANCE: Lorraine Devaney, Joan Ives-Parisi, Jane Rizzo, Ruth Palmer, Carolyn Massoni, Pat Combs, Ray Ross, Dawn Lindauer, Jean Valenti and Roz Gallagher. Absent Dulcey Worth, Barbara Kapi, Michelle Bjorkman, Roslie Cross and Sam Carmody.

Lorraine Devaney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ruth Palmer motion made accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Roz Gallagher. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A balance of \$33,411.38 which does not include the money for the Fireworks. Carolyn Massoni made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report seconded by Jane Rizzo. Motion passed unanimously.

CHEER: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PUBLICITY: None

FIREWORKS: None

SEPTEMBER 11TH PROGRAM: None

CELEBRATE WALLINGFORD: None

COMMUNITY RACE DAY: None

HALLOWEEN PARADE: The Halloween Parade was a great success and Lorraine thanked everyone who helped out. Our cost for the event was \$202.00. Park and Rec spent \$2,046.02 from their budget. Carolyn noted that there should be more candy in the bags and everyone felt the bags should be smaller. Suggestions were made that the tents be lit and that more donuts should be purchased. Roz Gallagher made a motion to purchase lighting for the tents and Carolyn Massoni seconded the motion. The motion passed. Roz will also look into tents for Seasons of Celebration.

VETERANS DAY: To be held on November 11th at 11:00 a.m. at the Town Hall. Ribbons will be given out to the families of servicemen who are currently deployed.

MLK DAY CEREMONY: No report.

MEMORIAL DAY: There is a parade meeting this evening at 7 p.m. which Ruth Palmer and Dawn Lindauer will be attending.

SEASONS OF CELEBRATION: Santa and Mrs. Claus are all set for this year. The times will be 1 to 4 p.m. so that all the children will be seen by 4:30 p.m. It was noted by Joan that Santa and Mrs. Claus will remain at the Town Hall to see as many children as possible and will not be going downtown for the lighting of the tree. The carriages have been secured by Michelle. The cookies have been ordered from Crafty Cakes and Thurstons. The Farm on Wheels has been confirmed. Yalesville Fire Department will be collecting toys and there will be Glove and Mitten tree. From 2-4 there will be a Gingerbread house contest. We will have two tents, one for crafts and one for hot chocolate. A Barber Shop Quartet has volunteered to sing and stroll the streets for free this year. The Frosty Parade will begin at 5:15 and the balloons will be done downtown this year. Sam will be in charge of the sound system. Wallingford Center will be participating this year possibly securing Chestnut vendors and usage of the Elf Houses if they can be located. We will meet at the Town Hall on Monday November 30th to put up the felt and the decorating will be done on Wednesday December 2nd.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Lorraine passed out a sheet for those who wish to be reappointed in February. Ray Ross will be looking into the cost of a portable sound system which can be used at various events such as the World War I rededication this past Sunday.

Our next meeting will be March 1, 2010

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Ives-Parisi
Secretary