

The Old Home Days Committee met on January 7, 2015 in the Whitney Hall Conference Room. Those in attendance: Shirley Green, Janice Amaral, Francine Lozeau, Kristin Harrington, Deb Sweetland, Marjorie Carr, Meredith Smith, Chair. The Committee welcomed new member Patty Williams.

Meredith opened the meeting by announcing that OHD was now an official town committee. She then went on to review the confirmed events to date. They are: Band Concert (Friday), Methodist Church Supper (Friday), Quilt Show (Saturday), Ice Cream Social (Saturday), Chicken Barbeque (Saturday), Dance (Saturday), Dog Park Grand Opening (Sunday), Car Show (Sunday), Conservation Hike (Sunday) and Lockhaven Schoolhouse (Sunday).

There was a general discussion of events yet to be planned or confirmed. Parking for the dance at the Enfield Center Town House has been arranged with the Union Church. Kristin Harrington noted that there will need to be some organizing and cleaning done before the dance. Meredith suggested a work day in late spring to accomplish this, with the assistance of DPW. The question of a pancake breakfast was raised. Kristin agreed to contact Whaleback and ask if they were planning to host a breakfast this year. Meredith reported that Scott Donnelley, pastor of the Lutheran Church, had contacted her about doing a church service as a service might have been 100 years ago. All thought this was a nice idea. Other churches in town will be contacted to see if they would like to do something similar. Kristin asked if there was to be a paddleboard and kayak event. Meredith said she had contacted the Sailing Club and they will be doing something but she has not contacted anyone about a kayak paddle. Kristin agreed to follow up on that. Meredith reported that she has not heard back from NH DOT about use of the old motel property. Finally, Kristin asked if it would be possible to have some type of craft fair with demonstrators, focusing on the more traditional crafts such as spinning, quilting, knitting, etc. Meredith said the Recreation Department was not interested but she would talk to Dolores Struckhoff about the possibility of holding such a craft fair on the Museum grounds (to be held on Saturday).

There was no report from EVA regarding their involvement in OHD. Meredith is unsure about whether EVA will once again be doing the Enchanted Island. It is a popular event so it is hoped they will continue with it.

The discussion of a possible parade resulted in many ideas. Patty Williams agreed to play the bagpipes and lead the parade. Meredith will contact Paula Rowe to arrange for necessary permits. Other ideas for the parade included kids on decorated bikes, kids blowing bubbles, Jane Carpenter and her ponies, dogs on leashes (Dog Park people), Mascoma Youth Sports League, Friends of Mascoma to carry a banner with their logo, Scouts, old farm implements, old cars and trucks, and inviting people to create floats. All felt the parade should have a theme. It was informally decided that the theme should be "We Love Enfield." It was suggested that prizes should be awarded in various categories. The parade will be held on Saturday at 10 AM with the route to be decided.

Meredith asked if another 10 x 15 tent should be purchased. Deb Sweetland reminded her that she also has a 10 x 15 tent which OHD is welcome to borrow. No tent purchase is planned for this year.

The next meeting will be held on February 11, 2015 at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair