Old Home Days Minutes February 11, 2015

The Old Home Days Committee met on February 11, 2015 in the Whitney Hall Conference Room. Those in attendance: Kristin Harrington, Shirley Green, Patty Williams, Marjorie Carr, and Meredith Smith, chair.

Meredith discussed the formation of the official town committee and read the governance rules and regulations of the newly formed OHD Town Committee. It will become an official town committee on April 5, 2015.

<u>DANCE</u>: There was an extensive discussion of the Enfield Center Town House. Kristin suggested that she could work on a petition to submit to Selectboard, asking for greater usage for the building. Patty Williams mentioned that the Lions Club is quite concerned that some town organizations are not able to use the Community Building because they have been pushed out by "paying customers". She gave the Boy Scouts as an example. The committee suggested that there seems to be a need for more public meeting space in town. All felt that the Town House could and should be utilized to a much greater degree than at present and the town should pursue a solution to make the building viable.

<u>CLEAN-UP</u>: A several stage clean-up is planned for the Town House in preparation for the OHD dance on July 25. The week of June 8 for DPW to remove trash and unnecessary items; week of June 26 to be moving furniture and other large items; and the10th of July will be big clean up, assisted by a team from Hypertherm. MCS suggested taking old refrigerator out of the kitchen and disposing of it. Permission to do so will be sought from April Farewell. It was suggested that Stephanie should be asked to chair the dance since she has done it in the past. A porta potty will be needed. Meredith suggested we rent it through the town's porta potty supplier and reimburse the town.

<u>CRAFT FAIR</u>: Deb Sweetland and Kristin have been working on the Traditional Craft Fair. To date, they have lined up rug braiding, penny rugs, flax preparation, spinning, basket making, weaving. They will invite Barbara McAllister (carving), a quilter, and Sunshine Fairy (herb balms). Deb will do jams. The date is Sunday, July 26; time will be 10 AM to 4 PM at the Enfield Shaker Museum.

<u>LIONS</u>: Patty has talked to Lions about providing food at some point during OHD. The committee felt that having the food truck at Huse Park might present problems with the barbeque, Farmers' Market, and Outing Club Yard Sale. Meredith suggested they might do a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning, prior to the parade.

<u>PARADE</u>: There was an extensive discussion about the parade. Due to congestion at Huse Park later in the day (Farmers' Market and yard sale) it was decided that parade route should be reversed. It could start at Huse Park (10 AM) and go to to Lutheran Church. All felt something should go out on List Serve to encourage individuals, organizations, and businesses to have floats in the parade. Prizes would be awarded to the best floats. Meredith will contact Lori Saladino about getting the Village School kids involved. Patty will lead the parade with her bagpipes. Kristin has lined up a fire truck. Meredith will ask Bob Lacroix to have a couple of old cars in the parade.

<u>PICNIC:</u> Meredith reported that she has been in touch with the DOT about the possibility of using the old motel land for a community picnic on Saturday. She expects to have a decision very soon. It was also suggested that the parade might go as far as the motel site, ending there for the picnic. No decision was made on that. Marjorie Carr suggested we make sure both lots 44 and 46 are mowed for the occasion.

<u>CHURCHES</u>: The Lutheran Church will do a special "old fashioned" church service on Sunday, July 26. Kristin will contact St. Helena's, inviting them to do a special service. Meredith will contact the Methodist Church and also ask Janice Amaral to contact the Union Church, inviting both churches to do a special Old home Day service.

<u>LOCKEHAVEN SCHOOLHOUSE</u>: Since all the Saturday activities are focused on the village side of the lake, Meredith suggested moving the Lockehaven Schoolhouse re-enactment to Saturday. Marjorie will check with the Historical Society to see if that is possible.

<u>FUND RAISING</u>: Shirley has begun to make contacts towards fund raising. She called on Gail Pringle at the Roller Rink but has not heard back.

<u>CONFIRMED EVENTS</u>: Band concert, Methodist Church supper, Quilt Show, Ice Cream Social, Chicken Barbeque, Lockehaven Schoolhouse, Dance, Car Show, Craft Fair, Dog Park Grand Opening, Whaleback Pancake Breakfast, Conservation Hike, Parade.

Next meeting Wed. March 4; 5:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair