

1 **Old Home Day Committee Minutes**  
2 **Wednesday, August 12, 2015**

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4 Type of Meeting: Regular meeting

5 Method of Notification: Public Posting – Two locations at Town Hall, Post Office and on  
6 the town website

7 Meeting Location: Sandown Town Hall

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9 In attendance: Chair Tim Rand, Patty Lakos, Helen LoPresti, Anthony LoConte, Bob  
10 Brouder, Paula Gulla and Selectman Liaison Terry Treanor.

11 Absent: Steve Brown, Bev DeLuca, Rick DeLuca, Karen Jortberg, Erica Olsen

12 Guest: Karlene Murphy

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14 Chair Tim Rand called the meeting to order at 7:24 pm and began with the Pledge of  
15 Allegiance.

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17 **Review of Minutes of Previous Meetings (Aug 12, 2015)**

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19 The minutes were available to the committee members from the last meeting.

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21 **Guest**

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23 MOTION by Anthony LoConte to move vendors to the beginning of the meeting so Ms.  
24 Murphy could address the committee

25 SECOND by Tim Rand

26 MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

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28 Karlene Murphy addressed the committee and explained that she performs with aerial  
29 silks on a tripod type set up. She would like to perform at the Old Home Day Fall  
30 Festival. Karlene is willing to be available all day or for specific times depending on  
31 what the committee desires. The committee questioned if Karlene has liability insurance  
32 which she does and a copy will be provided. She needs a designated 20 X 20 space and  
33 she cannot allow any spectators to be in that area. The committee suggested that she  
34 bring along others to ensure that no one enters that area and possibly put up signage etc.  
35 There is no staking required and the grassy field will be fine provided it is a flat area.  
36 There was consensus among committee members that with the proper insurance, this  
37 would be fine. Ms. Murphy can perform for any length of time during the event at her  
38 discretion.

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40 **Budget**

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42 An updated budget was presented to the members. Paula talked about some  
43 correspondence between her and Karen, who could not attend this evening's meeting,  
44 regarding the parade expenses. The Catamount Pipe Band is available for the event at a  
45 cost of \$1500. The Cycling Murrays are also available at a cost of \$750 which may be

46 negotiable. Karen would like to hire both of these bands, keep the single bagpiper and  
47 release the Sons of Italy Band. This may put her slightly over her budget and when  
48 figures were calculated, she would be \$178 over on her budget, however those funds  
49 could be transferred from another budget. After much discussion on this item, the  
50 following motions were made.

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52 MOTION by Helen LoPresti to pay up to \$1500 to hire the Catamount Band and pay up  
53 to \$750 to hire the Cycling Murrays for the event.

54 SECOND by Patty Lakos

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56 Further discussion ensued centered around the Sons of Italy Band and the negotiations  
57 that have occurred over the past few meetings. Some expression of discontent was  
58 mentioned with the Sons of Italy Band, the negotiation process and their number of  
59 members who show for the event. The Board of Selectmen did not receive the contract to  
60 sign since the Sons of Italy Band stated they would not show up the day of the event if  
61 they did not have the required 20 members available. It was put back on the table for  
62 further discussion. Terry mentioned that the Board of Selectmen had some issues to be  
63 discussed prior to considering the contract. Anthony expressed his discontent with the  
64 lack of consistency in the committee's approach to motions and rescinding them the  
65 following meeting when there were only a few members present.

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67 MOTION PASSED (4-1-1)

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69 MOTION by Anthony LoConte to rescind the single bagpiper and the Sons of Italy Band

70 SECOND by Patty Lakos

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72 Again discussion ensued regarding the fact that Karen would prefer to keep the single  
73 bagpiper if possible. Going over the budget was discussed and some felt that was not  
74 advisable.

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76 MOTION PASSED (4-2-0)

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78 A message will be sent to Karen to inform her of the results of the votes.

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## 80 **Marketing**

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82 Lawn signs and posters have been distributed in the area. Anthony mentioned that the  
83 Fire Department Chicken BBQ didn't have a great attendance and some mentioned that  
84 they didn't know about it this year or thought it was going to be in September. This  
85 committee did not advertise the event since it was not part of the funding granted by the  
86 warrant article and maybe that had a negative effect in some way. Terry mentioned that  
87 he went to both Chiefs ahead to time and they decided to keep their event separate.  
88 Anthony wanted to ensure that the same thing doesn't happen to the fall festival and the  
89 thoughts were to keep talking about it, keep spreading the word and get signage up  
90 wherever possible. The website has been updated and there is a link also on the home  
91 page.

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93 **Site**

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95 If Chief Gordon and Artie Genualdo are available, the committee would like to hold a site  
96 visit at the Recreation building next week and continue the business portion of the  
97 meeting there as well. The Recreation Director will be contacted for availability of the  
98 meeting room for next Wednesday evening.

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100 Anthony will coordinate the parking of cars that day and he will work with Chief Gordon  
101 and others to make sure that goes smoothly.

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103 **Rides**

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105 There was no new information to report on this item.

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107 **Parade**

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109 The parade was discussed earlier in the evening. The only other item is that Anthony  
110 contacted the Canobie Lake Park mascots and they were not available for this event but  
111 would like to be contacted next year to see if they can participate in the parade.

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113 **Vendors**

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115 There was no new information to report on this item other than there is still space  
116 available for more vendors.

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118 **Entertainment**

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120 There was no new information to report on this item.

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122 **Citizen of the Year**

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124 Quite a few nominations have been received for the Citizen of the Year and the Young  
125 Citizen of the Year. The deadline is this Friday, August 15, 2015 and the committee will  
126 review and choose the recipients at the next meeting.

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128 **Friday Night Events**

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130 Bob Brouder went to the liquor commission one day training and reported back on some  
131 items that need to be addressed. Lighting needs to be at the gate area where the ID's are  
132 being checked. No flashlights can be used to check IDs. The staff and band cannot drink  
133 during the event. There will be a spot inspection prior to the event by the liquor  
134 commission. Some items should be stored ahead of time at the Recreation building and  
135 that will be discussed with the Recreation Director.

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139 The next meeting is scheduled for 8/19/15 at 7:00 pm.

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141 The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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146 Respectfully submitted,

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150 Paula M. Gulla

151 Recording Secretary