

Town of St. Germain
Independence Day Committee, Meeting Minutes via Zoom
March 2, 2021

1. **Call to order:** By Cookie Lough at 5:30 pm
2. **Meeting posting verification:** Meeting agenda was posted February 25, 2021
3. **Roll call, confirm quorum:** Ted Ritter, Jim Swenson, Jeff Sauer, Julaine Nampel, June Vogel and Cookie Lough and 4 community members in room 4 of Community Center and 2 community members via zoom.
4. **Public comments:** None
5. **Approve minutes of February 10, 2021 meeting.** Motion by Sauer to accept minutes as presented; second Nampel. Discussion none. Vogel – yes, Sauer – yes, Ritter – yes, Nampel – yes, Lough – yes.
6. **Review Committee page on town website. Discussion on if Fire and Rescue should remain on website under nonvoting members?** Discussion. Given that the FD is not sponsoring an event of any type should they remain a nonvoting member. Motion by Sauer that we remove FD from website under committee as they are not sponsoring events; second Vogel. Vogel – yes, Sauer – yes, Ritter – yes, Nampel – yes, Lough – yes.
7. **Updates since last meeting:**
 - a. **Students doing community service for event – J. Sauer** Jeff contacted a counselor at Northland Pines School District, letting them know we are seeking student volunteers. Jeff drafted a letter to send out which indicates contact numbers and date of event. Discussion on responsibilities and hours. Perhaps celebration volunteer tags.
 - b. **Verification of check received from past craft show proceeds & what to do with additional items left at Business Connection – Lois Rudiger** Lois did receive the check for \$1200.00. Women's Service club to also pick up the additional items that were dropped off.
 - c. **Report on possible entertainment activities for kids – J. DeWig** Contacted theater dept at high school regarding students dressing in costumes. Band director if bands would march in parade. Northwoods Children's Museum is closed. Northwoods Animal rescue to do a presentation, with COVID unable to make decision now if able to commit. Jr Firefighter promotions, not available. St Germain Fire Department may buy fire house, perhaps would have the house by end of June. Kraft Cuddly Critters – has the day open and would love to come out, requests shade and \$125.00 an hour. Great Lakes Club; has jump house type of items; explained 4 most popular events. 5 hours for 4 events \$3000.00, 5 hours with 3 events is \$2600.00, 4 hours with 4 events \$2800.00. DNR – fish presentation, invasive species; waiting to hear back. Message left with canine unit for Vilas county; waiting to hear back. Shears Lumberjack show sold business, put in touch with TimberWorks; present 30-35 minute shows x 3 \$5800.00. Rocking W stable; waiting to hear back. Local chain saw carvers as potential option. Discussion on other possibilities.

8. New Business for this meeting:

- a. Selection of Grand Marshall for parade** Have 2 cars for Grand Marshall; 2020 memory of Mark Hiller and 2021 to be voted upon at next meeting. June to send out Grand Marshall nomination forms to clubs/organizations.
- b. Identify Theme for parade** America's Small Town Celebration. June to check with Chamber on poster creation from last year.
- c. Review and revise budget for 2021** Broken down by what was being collected and final amount came to the board. Discussed amounts.
- d. Identify committees needed for the 2021 celebration event.** Postpone to April meeting. Jim to reach out to Deb Carlberg to clean bathrooms.
- e. Report from Craft Show** Lois extremely helpful. Started to get applications from crafters.

9. Committee member concerns and items for future agenda. Tasks and assignments.

10. Confirm next meeting date of March 30, 2021, 5:30 pm

11. Motion by Jeff to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 pm; second Julaine. Vogel – yes, Sauer – yes, Ritter – yes, Nampel – yes, Lough – yes.