

SOUTH WINDSOR 175th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR

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January 30, 2020

South Windsor Town Hall – Caucus Room

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Introduction of Committee Members

Members Present: Brianna Dillman, Chairperson
Josh Johnson
Brenda Koboski
Natalie O'Brien

Members Absent: Madu Reddy
Gavin Zhu

Others Present: Ray Favreau, Director of Parks & Recreation
Councilor Janice Snyder, Town Council

Others Absent: Mayor Andy Paterna, Town Council

3. Approval of Minutes

Councilor Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2020 meeting. Natalie seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

4. Public Input

None

5. Introduction of Ray Favreau

Chairperson Brianna Dillman introduced Ray Favreau, who is the Director of Parks & Recreation. Mr. Favreau has agreed to assist the Committee with the 175th Anniversary celebration.

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6. Discussion Items:

- Program Proposals
- Event(s) Logistics
- Contacts & Communications
- Calendar of Yearly Events

Committee members discussed the weekend that the large event would be held, and it was the consensus of the Committee that August 28-30 was the first choice to hold the celebration; September 25-27 was the second choice; and August 21-23 was the third choice. There are holidays that are observed in August. Mr. Favreau will also block off the weekend of August 7-9.

Each member brought a celebration proposal forward and reviewed it with the Committee. Chairperson Brianna Dillman (**Exhibit A**); Josh Johnson (**Exhibit B**); Brenda Koboski (**Exhibit C**); and Natalie O'Brien (**Exhibit D**).

Committee members then discussed the following:

- Parking – there was a suggestion to use the 11 acres on Nevers Road and have a trolley that would bring individuals to the park.
- Different options available for the festivities. At the next meeting, the Committee will make a decision if food trucks are wanted at any of the activities.
- Type of parade.

It was decided that on Friday night, there would be a kickoff with fireworks, Saturday, a parade will be held with a festival to follow. A gala will be held on a separate weekend. A list of contacts will be worked on and discussed at the next meeting.

7. New Business/Additional Discussion Items:

- Logo Contest Submissions
- Gary Pitcock/Mass Transit Committee Updates

Mr. Pitcock will be working on the history of South Windsor, and the Committee can discuss the use of a trolley from the parking lot to the festivities. The various logo submissions will be sent to the Council for their vote.

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8. Task Assignments

Chairperson Brianna Dillman stated that after the logo is decided upon, the Committee will reach out to organizations. The list will be split up between Committee members.

Natalie O'Brien will create a contact list of organizations and a list of items that need to be done. Natalie felt that more people would need to be recruited to help with this event.

Josh Johnson will create a calendar of events.

Mr. Favreau stated he would let the Committee know when different Park & Recreation events are being held.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on February 6, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Madden Room.

10. Adjournment

At 9:21 p.m., Councilor Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brenda seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah W. Reid
Council Clerk