

Sullivan Daze Committee Minutes

6/18/24

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm at the Sullivan Town Office. In attendance were, Misty Gleason, Yvette Grindle, Erin Shanahan, Norm Bamford, and Graham Platner.

New Business:

1. Graham Platner attended to update us on the availability of two of his boats that he is willing to share for Sullivan Daze. Bud Means is contracting with two captains to make the Taunton Bay Cruise available from 11-3 at Gordon's Wharf. The captains will require a \$35 fee for each of six passengers. The committee unanimously approved. An historic summary to share during the cruise of the region and relationship to Michelle Shores book, "The Gathering", will be developed to share during the cruise as well by Bud Means and a prospective volunteer.
Action: Graham agreed to contact Bud Means about captain commitments and will work with Bud on a tour dialogue. Graham felt a dry run to be essential and Misty agreed to ride along to take notes on the dialogue so another speaker could be trained.
2. Bonnie Sparks has gained approval from Ray Weintraub for the purchase of event tee shirts. The order has officially been placed. Thank you Bonnie for all your effort!
3. Promotional Materials: Yvette Grindle has placed the order for all promotional materials including a program for the events of the day to be handed out at the event and prior to the event, posters will need to be distributed to local businesses by our committee members and other volunteers, and yard signs to advertise the date of the event. Thanks go to Yvette for all her hard work! It was agreed that each committee member will be given 50 programs to attempt to deliver to local establishments and 20 posters to hang.
Action: Misty will proceed with contacting the news agencies to share promotion messages. Members will work to distribute materials.
4. Parade progress: Norm Bamford is confident that the parade will include many participants to include a variety of vehicles that end up at the car show. This will include Mud Trucks, antique cars, D e L o r e a d m o r e s! Back to the Future will be the theme! Contact Norm or Town Office if willing to participate!
5. Vendors and Parade Participants are still being collected along with open registration for Little Sullivanites Pageant participants and Sullivan Sings contestants! The committee agreed that registration will be open until the last day of July!
6. Volunteer Assistance, Set Up Procedures and needs, and promotional material distribution will be the focus of our next meeting!
7. Confirmations of Vendors and Event Participants are underway.
Action: Misty Gleason will contact the above for confirmations and Yvette Grindle will handle on-going facebook entries.
8. The 5 K Race and SSRC Breakfast to be hosted by Sumner High School will be contacted for progress. Action: Bonnie Sparks will contact both teachers.
9. The next meeting will be held in 3 weeks on July 9 to allow another meeting July 23.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

