




Agenda for Meeting on Tuesday, March 21 @ 6:30 PM @ Booster Club 99 Main Street Ashland
Ashland 4th of July Committee PO Box 12, Ashland NH 03217 AshlandNHIndependenceDay@gmail.com

 <https://www.facebook.com/AshlandNhFourthOfJulyCelebration?ref=bookmarks>

Committee Attendees: Amanda Loud, Katie Maher, Kathy Jaquith, Glenn Dion, Patty Heinz

Absent:

Optional Attendees: Steve Heath (Fire Chief), Tony Randall (police chief)

Open to the public; Leigh Sharps

Stakeholders receiving minutes: Mardean Badger; Mark Liebert, Chair AARA

Scribe: Amanda Loud **Timekeeper:** Amanda Loud, Chair

Fireworks Monday, July 3 ● Rain Date Wed., July 5th ● Parade Tuesday, July 4th 10AM

Agenda

1. Meeting called to order at: 6:30 PM
2. Secretary's Report: motioned by Katie, seconded by Kathy; carried.
Approval of 2/13/17 minutes
3. Financial officer's Report –Laura Dion/ Kathy J.
5. 2016 FIREWORKS & PARADE EVENT PLAN
 - a. still need a photographer for parade and field entertainment: Leigh Sharps will do this.
 - b. report from Glenn Dion on Chesley and C-Man contacts: C-Man will do the raffle; Glenn will confirm the pancake breakfast, and it seems Chesley will be at the field on July 3.
 - c.: bands for the parade- Patty Heinz will contact those she knows to try to find more bands. Katie suggested putting a sound system at the C-Man to broadcast music when no bands are going by
 - d. advertise a children's percussion band- Amanda will contact Anne Barney; Katie has some triangles and cymbals.
 - e. Committee voted to discontinue the fireworks display beginning in 2018; motioned by Kathy J., seconded by Glenn D., carried
6. VOLUNTEERS – NEED MORE!!
 - a. will begin soliciting parade volunteers in June
7. Public Relations
Will begin press releases about parade/ fireworks in May
Press release about 2018 fireworks needed- will be incorporated into press releases
Katie suggested buying 100 enamel pins to give to those who have helped over the years out of appreciation (\$125)/ ask Stacey Lucas for ideas
Amanda will email Jane (150th committee)- ask about doing a parade float or perhaps putting up a banner somewhere on the field. Now is the time to begin planning and coordinating and notify us by April 30.
8. Fundraising
 - a. formal vote not to fundraise in 2017 for 2018 fireworks
 - b. buttons are done!
 - c. Time table on donation buckets: before Memorial weekend
 - d. Katie will do a poster (and not program) to fundraise a few thousand dollars to enhance/ improve the parade. The poster could become the new central fundraiser. Keep banners (@\$250/ each) and sell ads on calendar at \$150/ each.



- e. Parking: Money this year in 2017 will go to AARA: moved by Katie M., seconded by Glenn, carried
- f. Katie will work on a new budget to send to Heritage, as our expenses have changed a bit.

9. Mary Ruell Award and Grand Marshals

- a. Caroline Gosse and family have graciously agreed to be the Grand Marshals.

10. Legal

- a. contracts for parade bands and field entertainment
- b. contracts for vendors: all are going out.

11. other business

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: Monday, April 10, 2017