Montgomery Township Autumn Festival Committee Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2012



At 6:02 p.m., Ruth Hardin called the Autumn Festival meeting to order. Ruth Hardin, Sue Dessner, Mary Alfarano, Candyce Chimera, Bob Birch, Sharon Tucker (Recreation Coordinator), Stacy Crandell (Public Information Coordinator) and Lt. William Peoples were in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The August 8 minutes were approved with one correction noted by Lt. Peoples, police will be bringing a BearCat not a BobCat.

OLD BUSINESS

Police Department/PBA

Lt. Peoples reported that the PennStar Helipcopter will be coming from 1-2 pm (barring an emergency). Lt. Peoples requested that the C-100 Command Center be placed near the Handicapped Parking spots. There were issues with the exhaust fumes from the C-100 last year since it was placed close to the Volunteer Food Tent.

Schedule of Events

Sharon Tucker reviewed the schedule of demonstrations and activities planned for the day.

Volunteers

Sharon Tucker stated that we currently have volunteers from North Penn High School Key Club, Honor Society, JROTC and Pennbrook Middle School Volunteer Corps, as well as employees and Township Residents. Sharon Tucker reported that we will probably have too many young volunteers and that we are always a bit short on adult help so if there is anyone else that we can reach out to everyone is encouraged to do so at this time.

Scarecrow Clothes

Sharon Tucker reported that we are still short on scarecrow clothes. Stacy Crandell and Sharon Tucker are planning to make a trip to Care and Share on September 21st to purchase items during their \$0.50 sale day. Ruth Hardin reported that she will follow-up with Laurel's Loft to see if they can provide any clothing.

Lindinger's

Sharon Tucker confirmed that Lindinger's is providing lunch at no cost for the first 60 people and they will give us the remainder of our order at a discounted rate. Lindinger's also provides

paper products which allows for an additional savings to the township and they deliver the food, which alleviates coordination for pick-up on the day of the event.

Demonstrations/Activities at the Corn Maze

Sharon Tucker reported that we have the PennStar helicopter planned near the Corn Maze but nothing else specifically scheduled for that area. We may add a face painter table and some basic games in that area. It not only gives something else to do in that area but allows for extra volunteer eyes on the Corn Maze area.

Sponsor/Vendor Update

Sharon Tucker reported that we currently have 18 sponsors and 42 vendors, which is about where we were at this point last year.

Sharon Tucker asked for input on a vendor issue that recently came up. There was a SandArt vendor that has participated in the past but he had not submitted his registration for this year but a new Sand Art vendor came in. The returning vendor wanted to have priority. The Committee agreed that it is a first come first serve and the new vendor is the one that can participate this year.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Layout</u> Sharon Tucker reviewed the layout for the event.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ruth Hardin brought up the topic of the volunteer shirts. The Committee agreed to get the lime shirts for the volunteers with the multi-colored logo on the front and sponsors printed in black on the back. The Committee members will get the rainbow tie-dyed shirts.

Mary Alfarano reported that she will touch base with the Hibachi Grill to see if they are interested in participating as a food vendor. They were at another event that she went to and Mary feels it would be a nice alternative for Autumn Fest and a chance for the Hibachi Grill to get involved in the community.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.