

**Montgomery Township
Autumn Festival Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2021**

The October 2021 meeting of the Montgomery Township Autumn Festival Committee was held Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at the Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center. The members of the Committee in attendance included: **David Wood (Vice Chair) and Mary Griffith-Alfarano.** Also in attendance were **Greg Reiff Public Works Director, Rob Johnson Community Policing Officer, Angelina Capozzi Community Recreation Program Director, and Derek Muller Public Information Coordinator.**

Regular Meeting

Call to Order: Committee Vice Chair David Wood called the meeting to order at 2:36 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the September 2021 Autumn Festival Committee Meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Wood and a second by Ms. Alfarano.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Discussion Items

The following items were discussed by the Committee during the remainder of the meeting:

- Recap of Drive-Thru Trick-or-Treat Experience on October 9th
 - The event was a huge success. Approximately 450 cars drove through and 330 bags full of giveaways and candy were distributed throughout this inclusive event.
- Looking ahead - 20th Autumn Festival in 2022 Preliminary Discussion
 - The Committee recommended a tentative date of Saturday October 15th, 2022 for the 20th Autumn Festival.
 - A discussion regarding new and different activities for the festival was held. Suggestions included:
 - Magic shows, comedy shows, and live music
 - Rides and attractions for older age groups in addition to the attractions for younger children
 - Touch-a-Truck area
 - Utilizing an inflatable corn maze in lieu of the more expensive and time-consuming planted corn maze

- Hay Ride Wagons
 - The Committee expressed interest in researching the cost to purchase wagons, along with ideas for how to fund it such as sponsorship.
- New Logo Consideration
 - In 2020, a contest was held for a new Autumn Festival logo to commemorate the 20th Autumn Festival.
 - A new design has not yet been selected. In January the Committee will review the submissions and make a decision so that the new logo can be used on marketing materials.
- Recruiting New Members – The Committee would like to recruit two additional members for 2022.
- 2022 Meeting Times – The Committee proposed Noon on the second Wednesday of each month for meetings in 2022.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Wood (Vice Chair) and a second by Ms. Alfarano, the meeting was adjourned at 3:56pm.

Our next meeting of the Autumn Festival Committee will be January 12th, 2022 @ Noon virtually via Microsoft Teams. This meeting will consist of the Reorganization Meeting and the Regular Monthly Meeting.

Submitted by:
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