

# Minutes for the Housatonic Improvement Committee For May 12, 2022

- **Present: Daniel Bailly**
    - Eric Gabriel**
    - Bev Nourse**
    - Louise Goldsmith**
    - Daniel Bialowes**
    - 4 Audience Members**
  - **Opening: the meeting was opened by unanimous roll call vote at 6:36 pm**
  - **Minutes of the April 28 meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by EG and a second by Daniel Bialowes. Roll call vote was Unanimous**
  - **Discussion of the Fall Event took place**
    - **EG stated that Bryan House would put together a Musical performance with several artists for a fee of \$900. He also updated The price for the Porta Potties which are from White Wolf. The price is \$150 for a handicap accessible unit and \$125 for a non handicap unit. EG has reserved 2 Units for the Event. EG also stated that the price of the Signs would be \$8 each for 100 signs or \$12 each for 50 signs. EG also stated that the Community Center bathrooms are ADA compliant and are available.**
- DB read Angela Lomanto's email:** *"I spoke to Jim Stark about whether Housatonic the Beautiful would be willing to help fundraise for the Party in the Park. He would like to know how much money we are looking for before they discuss it. They usually reach out to businesses. He also said it would be fine to funnel donations/sponsorships through Housatonic the Beautiful as long as the donor designates that the funds are for the Oct. 1 event. (In that way, the donations would be tax deductible.)"*
- I spoke to Penny at Taft Farms. They are understaffed by 6 people and can't participate in the October event. I also asked about a haywagon for rides -- theirs is not up to code.*
- Eric has probably done this already -- I checked the bathrooms at the Housy Dome. The women's room is ADA accessible and there are five stalls."*
- **EG commented that he has not received any commitments from Food Trucks yet, but he will continue to inquire. Also that he was unable to get a Face Painter and balloon person**
  - **LG Commented that the Porta Potties were a good idea for better flow of attendees. She has not heard back from the "Llama Lady". LG also mentioned that we need to think of clean up at the end of the event**
  - **EG will ask Extra Special Teas if they would like to attend as a vendor.**
  - **LG asked if there were other Advertising costs**

- DB stated that he would reach back out to the Fire Department to see about their involvement. DB also mentioned that the Parks and Rec process for use of the Park and Community Center should be started soon.
- Questions from the Audience:
  - Eileen Mooney of Housatonic asked for the Date of the event. DB replied with October 1, 2022
- All things Housatonic:
  - EG mentioned that the submission date for the Housatonic School RFP has been extended to June 6, 2022
  - Bev Nourse asked about the Handicap Ramp at the Ramsdell Library. EG responded that the vote to fund the ramp is on the Annual town Meeting Warrant and Plans are online for the ramp
- Citizen Speak
  - Eileen Mooney asked about the Reorganization Meeting for the HIC. DB responded that it has not happened, but would most likely be at a late June or early July meeting.
- The Next meeting was set for June 2, 2022
- The Meeting was adjourned by unanimous roll call vote. Motioned by EG and Seconded by Daniel Biallowes, at 7:09 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Bailly