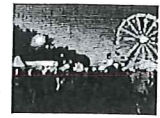




Sterling Fair January 24th, 2022 Committee Meeting minutes



Attendees: Gloria Rugg, Doug Downey, Dick Maki, Veronica Buckley, Heather Rockwell, Dave Agurkis, Maggie Agurkis, Carl Gronblom, Linda Davis, Scott Handler, Muriel Johnson, Gina Melnick, Terry Heinold, Chris O'Neil, Phil Campbell, Barbara Roberti, Mary Roy, Dustin Whiteaker, Tahna Hallet

- Meeting opened at 6:30 pm
- Terry made a motion to accept last minutes and was 2nd by Dustin
- The meeting started with Veronica Buckley & Dick Maki from the Age and Dementia Friendly Program (A&DF) discussion and how the program will benefit the Fair
 - A detailed map was shared for our proposed entrance change
 - The map also showed the proposed parking area
 - Recommendations:
 - Have an A&DF quiet spots for rest and eating
 - This can be the Senior Tent, behind the Fire Dept. booth, and/or behind the Exhibit Hall
 - Have dedicated A&DF port-a-potties
 - Have dedicated space on bleachers for A&DF (signs posted on the bleachers possibly saying "Reserved for A&DF")
 - Expand the number of golf carts available for AF&D
 - Senior Center willing to seek donations from area golf courses
- Wendy Somerset will not be able to support Livestock at this year's Fair, so we will seek others to fill her spot
- The Fair Committee will be on the Board of Health's March agenda to start discussion of tactics for the 2022 Fair
 - We will form a sub-committee to work with the BOH
 - Sub-committee members will start with Dustin, Dave, Mary, & Gloria
- Scott would like to take on Publishing and Marketing
- Terry will reach out to Mt. Wachusett CC and Monty Tech to see if they have anyone in Electrician studies that may be interested in helping Carl
- The Masons' Boylston Lodge has agreed to take 4 shifts of parking for 2022, and we still need to reach out to community groups to find help for parking
- YAHOO will be available for Fair break-down and clean-up on Sunday afternoon
- When the weather gets better, we would like to have one of our committee meetings in the park/common – may gain volunteer interest from others in the community
- We tabled the idea of having a car show at the 2022 Fair until next meeting (Nick LoChiatto has expressed interest in chairing a car show and we would like Nick's ideas)
- We still have the monies available to support 4H for entry fees or scholarships
 - Sandy Shepard-Gay was identified as the new contact for Middlesex County 4H
 - Phil will send a letter or email to Sandy
- Next meeting will be February 23rd at 6:30 pm and we will hold the election of Officers for 2022
- Carl made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was 2nd by Dave
 - This meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm