

Freetown Parade & Fireworks Committee  
January 6, 2016  
Meeting at 6:30pm - Town Hall



Attendees: Bob Adams, Jean Fox, Judy Gregory, Bob Gregory, Sheri Hadley, Linda Remedis, John Remedis, Sharon Rosen, Michael McCue

Discussion on Man/Woman of the Year ("Friends of Hathaway Park") and their participation in the 4th of July parade. Will contact Jeff and Anne Morse to invite their group.

Parade Marshal discussion as to ideas for 2016. Will bring suggestions to next meeting.

Finances are in very good order for 2016. Also, P&F's yearly request for \$3000 from the town will now be a line item at the annual meeting.

Bob A, Bob and Judy will inventory flags and bunting. There's a need to replace torn flags on Water Street, bunting on the bridge; plus want to add more flags (along with poles & brackets) on East Freetown side. Will look into pricing as well.

Linda has agreed to take care of parade invitations and to have an email data-base to help in communicating with all involved.

Judy will contact the Superintendent's office for permission to have a coin drive at FES in the spring. Sharon will provide the plastic buckets for the coin drive. Judy will also ask permission for a mailing to go home for our t-shirt contest (to be held in April).

Discussed the amount of P&F request from Stop & Shop. In donation application, will ask for \$1000 as well as help with bottled water (and other possible handouts) for parade.

Jean will contact both the town (regarding insurance coverage) and Stop & Shop for permission to have the parade line-up again on their bypass road.

Judy will email Linda & Ellen as members of the Tuesday Club to officially request permission for P&F to have a booth at the annual Strawberry Festival.

Will schedule a meeting either late May/early June with Kevin Bernardo (town health agent) and non-profit vendors to discuss any questions/concerns for handling/selling of food at the fireworks. Judy will contact all vendors; as well as police & fire chiefs for meeting with P&F.

Considering when/where to sell 50-50 tickets this year. VFW will again sponsor us. Will sell at Strawberry Festival, possibly Town Meeting, night of fireworks, etc.

Discussed colors and back design of 2016's t-shirt. Judy will write letter for t-shirt sponsors.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, March 2, 2016

Respectfully submitted,  
Bob Gregory