

West Union 4th of July Celebration Committee Meeting Minutes 2/5/16

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. Attending were Steve Atwood, Barb Heleine, Flower Monk, Reta Bumpus, Mike Bumpus and Brenda Atwood

Minutes from last meeting read and approved.

Review of 2015 celebration. One of the comments after last celebration was to add more food choices and ice cream was mentioned more than once. Steve Atwood reported that he discussed renting the Farm Bureau food trailer and that it was available, but we would have a large investment in product and would require us to sell several hundred items just to break even.

The American Legion has agreed to be in charge of the flag ceremony again this year and Jon Ledermann will be in charge of the details.

There was discussion about the Pageant and the committee discussed ways to remove some of the controversy that seemingly ensues after every pageant.

Hi-lites were:

- 1. Consider changing name of pageant from Miss West Union to Miss Firecracker or Miss 4th of July so is not geographically connected.*
- 2. Pageant needs some rules established and publicized in advance.*
- 3. Remove the completion from the youngest age bracket by removing title and make it a participation event only.*

Further discussion can hopefully be had at next meeting if Linda has recovered enough from her surgery to attend.

Checks received MUST be made out to West Union 4th of July celebration, and not to individuals. Several Pageant entry fees were made out to Linda Murphy.

Other business:

Fireworks are ordered

Lemon shake ups may be back. Jessica Heleine as expresses interest in taking this over.

Food tent: consensus is keep same menu. Consider ordering more pork burgers. Steve to contact pork producers about cooking.

Auction: Collectors need some ID to show that they are collecting for the W.U 4th. Have used a letter in the past. It possible to make obtain laminated name badges. No decision was made.

Mackville contract is signed. Discussion about schedule and time slot of 3:00 PM to Auction. Also discussed was the idea of having Hutsonville's Grayson Lilly perform for ½ hours during an intermission of the main show. Barb is going to check if Pat King is available to provide sound and possible fill the 3:00 PM Auction time slot.

Next meeting was scheduled for 7:00 PM, March 15th at the Masonic Lodge.

Meeting adjourned.