

Okra Strut Commission Meeting

April 24, 2023

VMP: L. Sherr, P. Hawkins, M. Ward, J. Mack, M. Robinson.

Absent: K. Snipes (school board meeting)

NVMP: K. Wilcox, S. Fulmer, M. Ward, C. Dennis, W. Cline, M. Carpenter, J. Hendricks, M. Wilkins.

I.CTO: 1815

II. Motion to approve minutes from March 14, 2023 by M. Ward, 2nd L. Sherr, approved 5-0.

III. M. Ward made a motion to add to the agenda under new business, to accept the resignation of Linda Bowers from the commission for personal reasons, 2nd L. Sherr.

III. Financial report: no new reports at present.

III. Task Areas: working on Custom Audio to finalize details. Working on separate stages for the local talent and to keep the main stage for the bands.

Marnie met with Spectrum and will send a proposal. She has spoken to KISS radio and we will discuss this at a later meeting.

With regard to sponsors' money, we have \$26,000 received of \$66,000. Palmetto Amusements may cooperate with the Okra Strut after all.

Discussion was held about ICRC buses and parking.

VI. New Business: Discussion was held regarding rental companies. Party Reflections would be \$11,890.23 plus \$1500 Gold sponsorship.

Something borrowed would be \$7,770.00

Event Rentals would be \$13,523.39.

Much discussion was held regarding the public's money and to be the best stewards of this money. We will go back to the rental company and ask specific questions regarding what exactly we are getting for our money. We will be more specific in documenting next time what is expected for our money.

Item b. We will accept the resignation of Linda Bowers.

VII. Whitt Cline has indicated that he will not be attending this year's Okra Strut due to family obligations and his son at the Citadel. He reports that Tate and Mike will be the overseers as they have done this for years. No other presentation by citizens.

VII. Motion to adjourn by J. Mack, 2nd by M. Robinson.

Meeting adjourned @ 1848.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Hawkins.

Next meeting May 9, 2023.