

Okra Strut Commission Meeting
September 12, 2023
Irmo Community Park

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

Absent: M. Robinson, K. Snipes

Nvmp: J. Hendricks, T. Horton, C. Smith, M. Somple, K. Wilcox, A. Unversaw, M. Carpenter, D. B. Waldman.

I. CTO: 1816

II. Motion to approve the minutes from August 22, 2023 meeting, noting needed addendum's with attendees, L. Sherr, 2nd S. Fulmer, approved 5-0

III. No Amendments to the agenda.

IV. Finances: all food vendors are paid. There are 104 exhibitors, of those, 23 have not paid but have been invoiced. September 8 was the deadline, but there are 15 invoices that need to be sent out. There are 55 parade entrants with room for more, 19 have not paid and 11 need invoices sent. Mike Ward will send an email the budget and the payables list.

V. Old Business: All on board for the entertainment. We have the SC Richland County Hospitality Tax Family Fun Zone. The Facebook site is doing well. We are currently working on the insurance for the event. We will have RC EMS Fri and all Day Saturday along with Irmo Fire Dept on site. The EMS will only cost us \$50.00 per hour.

VI. Motion to approve and amend former approvals for Cumulus Media to reflect a total of \$3,000.00 cash and trade of \$3,500.00 by P. Hawkins, 2nd L. Sherr, approved 5-0

B. Motion to approve the hiring of three (3) Laborers for additional help for the production crew in the amount of \$750.00 by L. Sherr, 2nd M. Ward, approved 5-0.

C. Motion to approve to contract with The Gatlic Group for the amount of \$350.00 for merchant services by P. Hawkins, 2nd L. Sherr, approved 5-0.

D. Motion to approve the contract with WIS for television advertising in they amount of \$1,000.00 by J. Mack, 2nd L. Sherr, approved 5-0.

VII. John Landower brought up a point that the Facebook comments are in need of commissioners to affirm them and have our families like them as well to promote this event. Also parade entrants are still open and we need more volunteers.

VIII. Motion to adjourn by P. Hawkins, 2nd J. Mack.

Meeting adjourned @ 1855. Next Meeting September 21, 2023 at Irmo Community Park

Respectfully submitted;
Phyllis Hawkins