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Community and Civic Affairs Commission
Special Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2013

In Attendance:

Chairman Cindy Kabel, Secretary Barbara Bresnahan, Member April Waugh

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by motion of Barbara Bresnahan, seconded by April Waugh.

New Business:

Pumpkin Carving Contest

The event will take place on Saturday, October 26, 2013 as part of the downtown merchants' event, Trick or Treat on Main Street. The event runs from 4 to 6 pm. Pumpkin judging will take place at 5 pm. There will be four age categories: K-4, 5-8, 9-12, Adult. The pumpkin must include age, name, title of creation. Prizes will not be cash, but a fall/Halloween-type prize. The commission would like to use a set of bleachers this year in order to separate the age groups by tiers. Between the noise and crowds, last year's set up (using the wall) made it very difficult to judge. Cindy Kabel suggested that commission members wear costumes to this event. We will also have a toilet-paper wrapping (mummy wrap) contest. People will be given 4 minutes to wrap their partner. No prizes.

Winterfest Parade

The date will be Sunday, December 22, 2013 at 4 pm to undetermined. We will invite Main Street shops to stay open for Christmas shopping and refreshments and invite vendors to participate. In addition to coffee and hot chocolate, which we normally make available at Town Hall, we will also offer small bottles of water and soda. We need to find someone to bake cookies and cupcakes. We will get a quote from Cakes by Carissa for a start. The high school band/chorus is not available to perform this year. Ideas include - Jeff Giglio to start parade with music, carolers from the area churches, school choruses singing, Middle River Dance Studio and Stafford Dance Academy students to do some kind of performing while marching in parade, street performers from our arts community. Also, we will need monetary donations from town businesses.

Adjournment:

Barbara Bresnahan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m., April Waugh seconded the motion.



Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bresnahan, Secretary, Stafford Community and Civic Affairs Commission