

**WAUWATOSA CIVIC CELEBRATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY – JUNE 25, 2009**

1. **Attendance:**

Present: Bill Berdan, Jeni Berdan, Robert Brunow, Mary Foley, Dan Lofy, Patrick McNally, Bobby Pantuso, Judy Randall, Jamie Swisher, Brit Swisher, Mary Sylvester, Sherryl Wedel, Wendy Venske. Ex-Officio: Cheryl Berdan, Rick Beattie, Jeff Farina, Steve Varney. Excused: Kevin Mullen, Gay Leigh Mundy, Amy Barron.

Guest: Dan Zarwell, John Hallanger, Mark Horaitis ad Don Horaitis.

2. **Minutes:**

Bob Brunow moved to approve the May minutes, Judy Randall seconded. Minutes were approved.

3. **Old Business:**

A. John Randall has volunteered to assist Carmelo with taping. Will meet at 6:00 am. Sendiks opens at 6:00 as well. May rope off area earlier.

B. Hang posters 2-3 weeks ahead of parade. Merchants like the larger size.

4. **New Business:**

A. Fire Department Honor Guard still figuring out sound system, etc., for flag raising ceremony.

B. Mary Sylvester will drop off signs at Wendy Venske's home. Jeff Farina will take care of cones.

C. Safety and Traffic Coordination is in place per Bill Berdan and Bob Brunow. Wendy Venske has 8 additional volunteers to help with traffic. Jeff Farina will have traffic stopped from Mayfair Road to Parkway at 7:30 a.m.

5. **Additional Comments:**

A. Volunteers - **Wendy Venske** - Volunteers are lined up. Bring additional volunteers if you can.

B. Parade - **Cheryl Berdan** – Will have copies of the line up ready for pick up at Denny's; however, they have been e-mailed. Has lost two people to carry the Hart Park Banner. Will try to recruit volunteers. Cheryl Berdan will be out of town and will send hot line instructions to Sherryl Wedel. Commission and volunteers reminded to ride on the All American Window & Door flatbed at end of parade. Reminders to collect cones, and pick up signs and put on flatbed to be unloaded at end of parade. Stop and pick up large sign along parade route. Turn in radios to Bob Brunow and vests to Judy Randall.

C. Afternoon Program - **Rec. Dept. (Rick Beattie) Gay Leigh Mundy and Pat McNally** - There was discussion as to the availability of the site for the afternoon program. Rick Beattie and group are scheduling a meeting to scope out the area. Rick will meet with Mark & Don Horaitis to address sound system questions and set up area for their equipment.

The schedule for the afternoon program is set. Contract with Milwaukee Public Theatre is done. Cedar Crest Ice Cream is ordered. Seniors will not be helping due to walking distance. The Rec. Department playground kids will fill in. Dean Redmond wants a golf cart. Have secured 31 Flavors certificates. Rick Beattie will pick up flags for decorations from Dan Lofy in the morning.

Jo Don Farms is confirmed. Gay Leigh Mundy and Pat McNally will meet at Hart Park with Rick

Beattie to determine site for Jo Don Farms. Sink will need to be near that area.

- D. TE concessions says they will just have soda, water and snacks due to the electricity issues.
- E. Mary Foley to let Cheryl Berdan know who the winners are so that the Mayor can announce them back at Sendiks.
- F. Many members expressed how honored Hank Raymonds is. Jeff Farina has talked with him several times and will take charge of the "handing out of balls" issue. He may get reserve officers to walk along with Hank's 15 grandchildren to maintain safety.
- G. Rob Engl (TE Bandleader) called the hot line with a concern about water guns squirting the band (and his wife). Not much we can do about it, but promised we'd try to curtail the activity. Seems to be a tradition.
- H. Dan Hobbs and Brian Randall have gotten together to talk about the parade. Dan expressed how excited he is and how much he appreciates the opportunity to do the announcing. Unfortunately, we were not able to secure tenting for shade for the announcers or judges.
- I. Mary Sylvester suggested that she is considering leaving the Commission due to a yearly family conflict that occurs on the 4<sup>th</sup>. The Commission members persuaded her to reconsider.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Mary Foley and seconded by Judy Randall. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jamie Swisher