

**MINUTES OF THE LEE FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, September 19, 2023**  
**9:00AM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Erick Sawtelle, Chairman; Ken Brisson; Tom Dronsfield; Chuck Cox; Gloria Quigley; Sheri Griffith; Denise Duval & Caren Rossi

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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Chairman Sawtelle opened the meeting at 9:00AM

Brian Seeley phoned in and gave us the weather forecast. He said as of now, it looks like the rain may hold off until dinner time, it still soon to be exactly sure but that is what its looking like. However, he is unable to get the weekend off to help.

Ken Brisson stated that he can't help either, he has another commitment.

Erick Sawtelle said that Peter Hoyt can't help past 4pm as he too, has another commitment. He also thinks the forecast doesn't look that good for the day, with rain possibly earlier than dinner time and if it does rain, we need to get the tent down and it needs to be dry. The wind could be an issue as well.

Tom Dronsfield explained that he no longer has enough help for the tractor pull and only he and another person for the food tent.

Caren Rossi suggested that we just to do the tractor pull, you can only do what you can do. But we had to do food because that's the biggest complaint, not enough food.

Chuck Cox said he had some help but not as much as he had last weekend.

Sheri Griffith suggested that we skip the bonfire, she has spoken to many people, and they don't feel it will be well attended.

For about 30 minutes the committee discussed a possible date to move the event too and determined that it wasn't something that was feasible at this time.

Ken Brisson made a motion to cancel Saturday's fair, September 23, due to lack of volunteers coupled with the threat of rain. Denise Duval seconds. Discussion: None Vote: all

Gloria Quigley asked if we should pay people for their time and commitment?

Denise Duval commented that she thought that was the cost of doing business.

Caren Rossi said that she thought that would be good because she knows the face painters took the day off from their jobs to do the face painting.

Others disagreed and agreed with Gloria.

They discussed the schedule and discussed the following amounts.

- Live music by the Petty Thieves - \$100
- On-going Kid's games by Pack 459 & Troop 459 - \$150
- Face Painting by Maddie & Samantha - \$100 each
- Balloons by Beth Booth - \$100
- Wildlife Encounters Show in the field = Caren Rossi said that they never confirmed with her so she's not sure we are even on their schedule.
- Tricky Dicks Magic Show - \$100
- Barrington NH Police Departments K-9 Unit Demonstration - \$100
- Sheep Herding Demonstration by Tim from Heart Stone Farm - \$100
- Live music by the Fiddling Thomsons - \$100
- Bingo under the Pavilion hosted by Friends of the Lee Library as a fundraiser Caren Rossi explained that they had to pay for their license, and possibly purchase the cards and other items to run the event as well as the application was a lot of work. \$250
- Ice Cream Smorgasbord hosted by the Lee Church Congregational as a fundraiser \$250.

Ken Brisson made a motion to pay as discussed, not to exceed \$1,450 for having to cancel the event. Gloria Quigley second. Vote: all.

**MINUTES BY:** Caren Rossi