

**City of Hoopeston
Historic Preservation Commission
Sesquicentennial Celebration Minutes
June 22, 2021**

I. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

II. Roll Call - 7 members present: Kristy Kelnhofer, Valarie Hinkle, Jeanette Andre', Ellen Scharlach, Debbie Benjamin, Marta Pierce, Brad Hardcastle.

III. Valarie made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Debbie seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

IV. Events: **Kids Fishing Derby** -organizer Sharon Polson will need \$40 for bait. She will need to present a receipt so we can submit it for payment. Hoopeston Awards & Signs sponsoring 500 participant ribbons for the Sesquicentennial not just for the fishing derby. **Photo Booth**: moving it to the inside, possible rain on the 27th. Backdrop, the old black & white photo, according to Craftsmen, the larger it gets, the blurrier it will be. Need a simple design. Brad will design something and send it to Dan ASAP. **Wednesday schedule**: 4-6pm Pet Parade, organizer Sara Rhodes. Also, 4H farm animal petting zoo, organizer Paige Brown. Will set it up in the 300 block of East Main. **Community Picnic**: #300 pork BBQ sandwiches, meat donated by Mr. B's Café. Brad will pick up chips, table service at Sam's Club. According to Brenda, Aquality will not donate the bottled water. It will be cheaper to pickup cases ourselves. Brad was asked to pick up 10 cases of water. **Church service**: Need a piano. The Baptist Church is asking the Lorraine Foundation to borrow the theatres keyboard. They also have a baby grand that needs tuned. The church is willing to donate to the Jaycees. It would have to be kept at the civic center and that room is not climate controlled. Brad did pass the information to Cliff Crabtree. Valarie & Jeanette agreed to be the greeters. Need to clarify the practice time for the children's choir. Gospel singers would like to do a soundcheck also. **Advertising**: WHPO- Valarie and Jeanette did a run through of events with Jamie Mowery. If we want any additional coverage, we will have to pay for it. Otherwise, it went well. **BINGO**: Caller is not doing well health wise, worried if he would not be able to call. This discussion led to who had the bingo license. Jeanette will check on this. Brad has asked Rotary to serve ice cream again. Jeanette has asked for more tea advertising.

Fundraising/Financial: We need to purchase signage/banner for display at park for the sponsors.

Volunteers: nothing to report.

History: **Cemetery Walks**: Went very well. Extreme heat was an issue. The first set of Main Street History Walks were interesting as well but cooler! The email from Brad Dean did lead to a descendant of the Hoopes family. Kristy talked with Leonard Hoops about attending the Sunday services or Saturday parade. He seemed interested in both. Would like to present him with a "key" to the city after State Rep. Tom Bennett's presentation.

July 3rd Events: Brad reported that the **generators and the light towers** have a corrected invoice. Equipment will arrive Friday, July 2nd. **Illiana Sports Hall of Fame** – need cars and

signs. **Ann Wallace, logo winner & Leonard Hoops** will need car and signs. **Chalk Art-** David Webber agreed to organize the contest. **Buses for transportation:** have been booked for 3:30pm to 10:30pm. They will send a corrected invoice. Brad will take care of signage. Still no face painter but talked to Fran Ramirez and she does fake tattoos but won't do it for free. She states she has to be paid. Debbie asked for permission to make an offer at \$100 to start with. We agreed. **Flea Market:** have 15 vendors. **Parade:** Entries are still coming in. Receiving conflicting information on the marching band.

Marketing: **T-shirts:** Need to do an inventory of merchandise and then move it all to the Welcome Center by Thursday, July 1st.

Executive: **Golf Cart-** 4, 4 passenger, 2 carry all's to be delivered to city hall on 6/25/21

V. Unfinished Business: **Welcome Center:** Several people coming through. Will be open the week of the sesquicentennial festivities. Would like to make sure we thank the owners of the building for letting us use this location. We will add them to the sponsor list.

VI. New Business –**Next meeting:** Thursday, July 1st, 6pm to finalize Saturday's events. We will meet at the Lorraine Theatre while they are having their final tour. With no other business, at 8:26pm Valarie made a motion to adjourn. Jeanette seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marta Pierce
Secretary