Bridge Day Commission Meeting Minutes Fayetteville Town Hall | June 21, 2023 1:30 pm

The Bridge Day Commission met at Fayetteville Town Hall. In attendance: WVSP Curtis Adkins, FCSD Mike Fridley, FCSD Rod Perdue, WVDOH Luke Miller, PJ Stevenson, Marcus Ellison, Sharon Cruikshank, Kim Feazell, Mandy Wriston, WVDOT David Williams, FFD John Vernon, FC911 PJ Pack and Tonya McMullen. Zoom attendees include: Lisa Strader, Mark Kissner, Benjy Simpson III, Melanie Seiler, Teri Harlan and Cindy Martel.

Becky called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

The minutes from May's meeting were presented for review. Mike Fridley moved to approve the minutes as presented. David Williams seconded. No opposition. Motion carried.

First Sergeant Adkins from the WV State Police introduced himself as the new WVSP representative. He will be working with Kenny Tawes through the event this year and has participated in some law enforcement capacity with the past 24 Bridge Days.

Old business: Becky reviewed BDC meeting dates, voting and advisory members. Review of the standards of conduct for advisory representatives and request for approval. There was some discussion regarding #2 and #6 of the standards. Revisions were suggested in regard to promotional interviews and the definition of publicly opposing. Lisa suggested we table this document until the next meeting following a rewrite of the two guidelines with notes from the BDC. Sheriff Fridley moved to table the standards of conduct to the July meeting. Sharon seconded. No opposition. Motion carried.

New business: No new business at this time.

Representative reports: Becky reviewed registration through the Chamber with 15 sponsors and 323/500 ITG tickets sold. NPS permit application has been submitted and BASE registration begins July 1st. PJ has 108 vendors registered taking 123/200 spaces.

Marcus reports that his staff is filling out and some tandems have been sold. He is communicating with the hotel about event weekend rates. Mark says the website is updated and links are current. Sharon questioned a shuttle route through town that affects an expansion of the chili cook-off. Benjy has team and high line registration opening on July 10th and closing at the end of July. Individuals will open July 31st. Also, Benjy addressed the topic of concern of shuttles for rappellers with designated, consistent branded signs for each of the ITG stops. There will more than likely need to be 2 flags, one for the sponsor's content and one to explain the type of bus stop. The image of the flag could be shared with ITG and BASE registrants in email communication. PJ and Becky could meet with FCBOE representatives to share the information. Consistent maps for bus drivers to have on the bus. Discussion of race and traffic stopping as they cross Route 19.

Melanie said she would look at tightening up the timeline, but plan to hold up from 9:07-9:20 am for racers to exit 19. The 5K run has steady growth with 127/500 racers registered. Active SWV has a youth essay contest for free entry into the Bridge Day 5K Run. Bicycle valet will be stationed at Maggie's Pub. Kim introduced Mandy as the coordinator for Taste of Bridge Day. Luke said the package for WVDOT will go out to bid in the next week or two.

Adjournment: Mike Fridley moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:08 pm.