



# REHOBOTH TOWN EVENTS COMMITTEE

## Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Francis Farm, 27 Francis Farm Rd, Rehoboth, MA

**Date:** November 1, 2022 at 7:00pm

**Attendance:** David LeComte, Jennifer LeComte, Sheila Kramer, Kelli Trexler, Celeste Fournier, Lydia Tavares (guest) and Artie Pierce (guest)

**Absent:** Regan Furtado

Motion to approve the minutes from October 4, 2022 meeting by Sheila, seconded by Kelli. Discussion: None. All in favor.

### Agenda Items:

**Recruitment:** Lydia Tavares will be joining our group. Welcome Lydia! She just needs to be appointed and sworn in. Celeste also knows someone who is interested. Regan Furtado has resigned from the committee as of tonight.

**Finance:** Our account balance is \$4746.65. Kelli made a motion to reimburse Jen \$220.84 for supplies for the Trunk or Treat, seconded by Celeste and all in favor. Celeste declined reimbursement for the candy she provided. Thank You Celeste.

**Charcuterie Board class:** This event is SOLD OUT! Five Bridge Inn donated the use of the Barn. They will allow us to bring in the wine for the event. We will give one glass included in the cost of the ticket and after that \$4/glass. Michelle's Ah-Mazing Grazing will be teaching the class. Everything is all set with licensing and insurance on her end. All we need to provide is the wine, cups and if we want, something to snack on prior to the class. Lydia offered to pick up the wine at Costco since they have great pricing. We have 40 participants!

**Fall Porch Decorating Contest:** We had 13 houses registered this year. Judging was a problem as it was not clear to all judges as to how we need to rate the displays. For the next time we will consider asking a professional photographer to take pictures (volunteer) so we all have good pictures to look at when making decisions. We will try to all go out together next time but that's not always easy. We used two \$100 gift cards for prizes that were left over from the Clambake. We also left a treat bag with candy at each house along with a thank you tag from the Event Committee.

**Suggestions for next time:** Change the name of the contest to Fall Decorating Contest (eliminate porch). Dave reached out to participants about judging and people walking around their yards. Most would prefer a call to let them know we are coming. Possibly have just Dave and I visit the sites and take the pictures so that everyone can see the displays in detail? We need to take into account the "artistic detail" of the displays, maybe even having a separate category for creativeness. We could possibly do a Facebook Survey to get the popular vote from residents.

**Trunk of Treat event:** The Events Committee participated in the PTSA event. Kelli, Jen and Dave decorated the trunk with an underwater theme. It came out great and we had a ton of compliments. We gave out about 1000 pieces of candy! We also had a table with all of our flyers displayed. Next year, Jen thinks we should expand on our underwater theme with shark week clips and maybe pictures of creatures from the deep. We could ask local business to donate the candy and have a sign by our display acknowledging them.

**Murder Mystery:** Dave suggested a party with a murder mystery theme. Dave will look into the murder mystery planners. Five Bridge Inn is willing to let us use the Barn and suggested January or February. Dave found several different kits that we could purchase to run this event. There is a basic kit which is for approximately 20-25 people but you can purchase expanded kits for up to 100 guests. Please look over the "Kits" that Dave sent out so we can discuss this at the next meeting.

**Light up Rehoboth:** We will ask Andria to do the Flyer for this. Hopefully we can get a professional Photographer to volunteer to take pictures. Entry deadline will be December 12<sup>th</sup> and judging taking place December 15-19. Categories will remain the same as last year; Clark Griswold "Over the top"; Most Traditional and Most Creative. Dave suggested having guidelines for the judges as to what this mean. We will have a \$10 entry fee to offset the cost of prizes. Kelli looked into the ornaments for participants and we choose one that is \$7 per ornament. She will check on what the turn around time will be and order 20 this year. Dave will update the sponsorship letter so we can get some donations to cover the ornaments and prizes. We will do a locally sourced gift basket for the three winners.

**Tree Lighting:** Sheila asked Jake (husband) if we could do something along with the Parks Committee at the tree lighting. The Anawan Lions also have a Santa coming to the Gazebo and maybe we could get carolers and serve hot chocolate and cookies.

**Town Fair:** Dave would love to get the fair back for next fall. Dave is sending out "feelers" to other groups in town (Fireman Randy and the Triad, Sherry Savoy-horses, COA, Jay Crandall and the Lions) Hoping to get other groups involved in planning the Fair. Dave has a lot of good ideas for the fair. We will be having an informal meeting with interested townspeople on November 10<sup>th</sup>. Dave will send out an email to all parties. The BOS is in support of this idea. Artie Pierce stated that the Historical Committee and the Community Preservation Committee will to help out in any way.

**New Business:** none

**Motion to adjourn** at 8:00

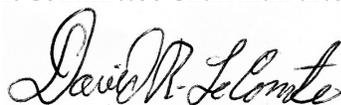
**Next Meeting:** December 7, 2022, 7:00pm at Francis Farm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer LeComte  
Clerk - Town Events

Meeting Minutes Approved (date and time):

Date: 12/7/2022 Time: 1910

Signature of The Town Event Committee Chairman after minutes have been approved:



David LeComte – Chairman