

**Special Projects Committee Meeting**  
**Friday, September 1, 2023**  
**10 AM**  
**Sky Valley City Hall – 3608 Highway 246**  
**Sky Valley, Georgia**

**MINUTES**

**Those Present:** Bruce Turner, Jim Rhodes, Grace Guess, Tony Allred, Ken Sigler, City Manager, Jason Streetman, and Communications Specialist, Sherron Van Camp

**Those Absent:** Lou MacNaughton

Call to Order: Bruce Turner, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

**Approval of Minutes August 3, 2023—Meeting:**

Tony made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Jim Rhodes.

**Discussion Items:**

Fall Festival Shuttles were discussed; Jason Streetman has spoken with a van sales company in Clarksville. They do not rent vans. Highlands Aerial Park was contacted by Bruce, and they do not have extra vehicles for rent either.

The committee agreed that the Christian Bible Church would be designated as guest parking. The vendors will park near the pickle ball courts. The Car Show will be held at the Club Pavilion. They are expecting around 50 cars. The live band will play at the city pavilion. The food trucks will be located near the city pavilion as well.

There will be no petting zoo this year, but there will be a booth with demonstrations for kids. Boy Scouts will be selling cookies in a booth. The Boy Scouts will also assist with parking if needed. The Fire Department will have 2 spots to show the fire truck and share information as requested.

Fall Festival T-shirts will be sold if there are any shirts left at that time. The committee also discussed a map of the Fall Fest area to highlight where different

events will be located. A QR code being added to the map was also discussed. Sherron will create a map/guide for guests. Some locations are pending at this time.

The Pumpkin Roll was discussed, but after checking with Shearl and Osage produce vendors, pumpkins would be too costly. The committee discussed having a duck race with fall themed ducks. We need volunteers to make the day successful. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Ava Joyce has arranged for a photographer to take photos with a fall backdrop. The proceeds will go to Paws 4 Life.

Gail Greenfelder is arranging the Dog Parade and costume contest. The parade will be held at the City Park Trail and wind back to the pavilion. Registration for the parade and contest will be from 10 am – 11 am. The parade will begin at 11:15.

Jerry Shope will have the public works crew place trash cans near the vendors and the pavilion area. Using hayrides as shuttles was discussed; no decision was made at the time.

At this time, Sherron reported that 22 hay bale entries have been requested. There will be a hay bale trail and university row for viewers. Sid Weber will provide a rolling water cart for donations.

Fall fest shirts will be sold at the September 2<sup>nd</sup> and October 7<sup>th</sup> POA pancake breakfasts. Jason Streetman indicated that the portable toilets have been ordered along with handwashing stations for the vendor area and car show area.

Jim Rhodes will contact Hit List Media about advertising Sky Valley's Fall Festival ad on local televisions in Rabun County. The Marketing committee will pay up to \$250 for the exposure.

Sid Weber will provide a rolling water cart that will accept donations for the foundation. The VFW will provide hot dogs and drinks to the car show vendors. Grace Guess volunteered to package the goody bags once all the contents have been received. The goody bag contents were provided in part by the city and

some items that were bought by the marketing committee for the grand opening and welcome bags to new homeowners.

Jason Streetman mentioned Wi-Fi at the city pavilion. but there is no date for the installation for now.

The Special Projects Committee will meet again on Wednesday, September 20, to finalize plans for the Fall Festival.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Grace. The meeting adjourned at 11:12 am.

Respectfully submitted:



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Sherron Van Camp, Communications Specialist