

Special Projects Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 20, 2024, at 2 PM
Sky Valley City Hall – 3608 Highway 246
Sky Valley, Georgia

MINUTES

Members Present: Bruce Turner, Chairman, Grace Guess, Rick Rahn, Jim Rhodes, Ken Sigler, Gordon Brand

Members Absent: Tony Allred

Staff Present: City Manager Streetman, Communications Specialist Van Camp

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Turner called to meeting to order at 10:00 AM
2. **Approval of Minutes**
April 11, 2024—Special Projects Meeting. Jim made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Gordon, unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

3. **5th of July Independence Celebration**

Parade Information: People are registering with city hall. Dogs (costumes encouraged), wagons, carts, vehicles are all welcome. Sherron will have numbers ready for parade day for the entrants to be announced by the emcee, Tony Allred. The Color Guard will lead the parade. Dogs will be lined up close to the beginning of the parade.

Grand Marshals: Connie and Bob Larsen will be driven by Dee Vollmer in the parade.

Signs & Banners: Public Works will put out all signs and banners advertising the July 5th celebration.

Duck Race: Lise Rozier will oversee the rubber duck race this year. Volunteers will help with registration beginning at 10 AM. Volunteers will also pick up the top 5 winning ducks at the end of the race. The top five ducks will win prizes.

Volunteers: Volunteers will help with the duck race and pass out flags.

Food Options: The POA will host a pancake breakfast from 8:00 AM – 10 AM. Sid Weber BBQ tickets are still on sale for BBQ dinners to be picked up between 5:30 and 7:30 PM.

Kona Ice, Woof Street Bistro, and Gastro Dawg will be available for food purchases during the morning and early evening. The Hot Dog Café will be free for all diners after the parade. The hot dogs, buns, and chips are being donated by Sky Valley Time Shares, and the SVSM Volunteer Fire Department will prepare the hot dogs. The city will provide condiments, water bottles, and paper products. The Sid Weber Memorial Cancer Fund will have a rolling water cart for donations during the event.

Entertainment: Cornhole boards and horseshoes will be available at the city park near the pickleball courts. The band, McCrackin, will play after the parade and in the early evening near the Old Lode building. Tony will get the sound system from the Chamber of Commerce. The city will research the purchase of one for the city in the future. Moody Barrick will film the day's events with his drone.

Public Works: The crew will distribute trash cans throughout the city and empty the cans as needed. They will also set up the stage and duck race tables, signs, nets and screens.

Fireworks: Roy Akin and Jason Streetman have spoken and have plans for a safe place to shoot the fireworks as well as clean up after the show. Golf play should not be interrupted.

Other Details: The SVSM Volunteer Fire Department will have a fire truck at the event and offer rides to people who wish to do so. 5 Portable toilets and 4 hand washing stations will be distributed throughout the city.

4. Fall Festival

Email invitations are being sent. Vendors are registering for their booths. Reminders will be sent soon.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rick. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherron Van Camp, Communications Specialist