

Canada Day Committee

AGENDA – April 3rd, 2018 5:30pm – Village Office

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest		
2. Approval of Previous Minutes	Minutes of the March 5 th Meeting (attached)	
3. Adoption of Agenda		
4. Administrative Items	Budget: Mayor Nash Permits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks Permit • Road Closure Permit Communication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articles 	
5. Review of Activities and Events July 1st	Parade- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update – Margo Blockhouse Activities- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official ceremonies- Mayor/MC's • Choir • Music/Entertainment • Lions BBQ- Gerry Seguin - confirmed • Childrens' Activities - Margo • Makers' Market Fairgrounds- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sons of Martha • Fireworks 	
6.	MW 225 Celebrations- ad hoc working group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • next meeting April 5th at Library at 5pm 	
7. Other Business		
8. Date of Next Meeting		

Canada Day Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

March 5, 2018 at 5:30pm

Mayor's Office

Present: Robyn Eagle, Don Halpenny, Lee Horning, Wayne Trusty, Mayor Nash, Mary Kate Laphen (Staff liaison)	Other: Del Bower	Regrets:
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1. Call to Order		Meeting called to order at 5:35 pm
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:	None declared	n/a
3. Approval of Minutes	RESOLUTION to approve the minutes of the Jan. 15 meeting. Moved by Mayor Nash.	Minutes APPROVED
4. Approval of Agenda	RESOLUTION to approve the agenda. Moved by Mayor Nash.	Agenda APPROVED
5. Budget	<p>Canada Day budget of \$10,000 has not yet been approved by Council; however, Council has approved the contract for the fireworks.</p> <p>A budget of \$10,000, less the increased cost of the fireworks, will require cutbacks in the festivities.</p> <p>The fireworks, parade and Canada Day cake were deemed priorities. These will total slightly over \$10,000. This will leave no money for musicians, etc.</p>	<p>The committee will ask Council to return the budget to the original \$12,000</p> <p>Robyn confirmed that there is no problem with seeking outside sponsorship for events</p>
6. To Do List	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Printing posters? ● Port-a-potties ● M225 Craft Beer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May be able to have this available in licensed establishments for Canada Day ● Le Boat? - will any Le Boats be in town July 1? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Will check with Mark Scullino re: what was done last year. ● Chamber & Lions are looking into a contract for this service, to cover several events ● Do we need a budget item for this? ● See #8. M225 Plans. Will talk to some of the owners to see if they will stock it ● Robyn will also contact the Ice Cream Shoppe about a M225 flavour ● Mayor will check on this

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contacting Public Works • Permit for Road Closure (request must go to County) • Special spot in Office for Canada Day items (eg large flag) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These items will be deferred until closer to Canada Day
7. Canada Day Events	<p>Church service</p> <p>Parade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmed: Pipe Band, Shriners. Pathfinders, Barry Phillips (vintage car), RBC (float), Ag Society re: fair. • Others have been contacted, but not yet confirmed <p>Blockhouse Park ceremonies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planned: speeches and the usual ceremonies, singing by choir, cake • Margo H will organize children's activities in the park <p>Maker's Market / vendor market ?</p> <p>Music in park (1-5:30pm)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Ag Society trailer for musicians <p>Fireworks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved and booked 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Collar Hill Cemetery; organized by Historical Society • Margo Heighton will contact re: floats • Muster time will still be 11:00 am at Hilltop • Unclear whether Lions' gazebo will be ready for Canada Day • Have arranged with the Agricultural Society to use their trailer; won't need tents, etc. • Possibly could be located in lot beside Mainstreet restaurant? • Robyn will contact Laura Starkey re Maker's Market • Need to look into music for before fireworks
8. Merrickville 225	<p>Logo – developed by Chamber</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed the revised Logo design • Can be used in various sizes for letterhead, banners, to attach to street lights, etc <p>Key events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical society lectures • Legion music festival • Opening of blockhouse • Canada Day morning church service • Canalfest • Fair <p>Communications</p> <p>Sponsorships</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will forward to the M225 committee for review/approval, and get back to Wayne • Will there be any costs associated with this? Unknown at this time, but no cost to use • M225 Phoenix article seeking volunteers • Robyn has a list of names for potential sponsors. Will ask for sponsors for M225 and/or Canada Day

9. Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contact dignitaries – Not for this year• Permits – Robyn is working on this• Co-MCs: Jacques Pelletier & Peggy Holloway - need to confirm• Cake – Paula Burke has been asked to decorate• Need to look into the entertainment & sponsorships for music
10. Next Meeting	Next meeting is: Tues, Apr. 3, 5:30 pm , in Council Chambers (changed to accommodate Easter)
11. Adjournment	Meeting Adjourned

March 26, 2018

Gerry Seguin,
President,
Merrickville Lions' Club

RE: REQUEST FOR FUNDING – CANADA DAY ENTERTAINMENT 2018

In follow up to my meeting with the Lions' March 6th, I humbly request your consideration for financial support for live musical entertainment to celebrate Canada Day, July 1st, 2018 in Merrickville.

I have been in discussions with Stephen Fuller, who fronts the Sons of Martha Band, a local band. Stephen has provided the attached quote for an hour and a half of entertainment, which has been especially choreographed to celebrate Canada Day of years gone by.

The Andrew James Band has been confirmed to provide two 45 minute sets in Blockhouse Park. This duo have been performing locally for a number of years and are quite popular.

In addition, sound technicians will be required to facilitate the live music in Blockhouse Park and at the Fairgrounds for the Sons of Martha evening performance.

The live music at Blockhouse Park has become one of the highlights of the Canada Day festivities that Villagers and tourists alike have come to anticipate. The lineup consists of local performers who will entertain and engage visitors for upwards of five hours in the afternoon, and then prior to the fireworks at the Fairgrounds.

Other activities and events have been planned to keep the momentum centrally located around in and Blockhouse Park. As an example, I have arranged to have the Makers' Marketers set up in the vacant lot by Mainstreet Restaurant.

In summary, by way of this letter, I request the total sponsorship of \$2,150.00 for the Sons of Martha Band (\$1,200), sound technicians, provided by Jamming Around Man Productions (\$650), and the Andrew James Band (\$300). Signage and promotional material will ensure that the Lions' are acknowledged and thanked for their support.

Respectfully,

Robyn Eagle,
Chair, Canada Day Coordinating Committee 2018

ATT
CC: Canada Day Committee



The Sons of Martha

Quote for Performance

Event/Activity

July 1st, 2018 Canada Day Fireworks Spectacular at the Merrickville Fairgrounds
9 pm – 10:30pm

Description

To a soundscape of what Merrickville fairgrounds might have sounded like in bygone years, The Sons of Martha arrive by dory boat carrying lanterns and walk from the waterfront up to their stage – the library porch. They proceed to play a 60-80 minute rock-infused multi-genre set, including a compressed version of their rock opera “The Voyage of the Intergalactic Merchant Marine”, and embellished with songs inspired by the occasion of Canada Day. Their costumed performance will feature new, entertaining material with some familiar songs in the mix, as well as plenty of local historical tid-bits and original songs about local history. Folks will be encouraged to clap, sing, and even dance along as we lead up to the fireworks show.

Pricing

1,200\$ Musicians

Rep: Stephen Fuller

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