

# Trumbull Day Commission

## July 8, 2014

### Minutes

Present: Commissioners –Chairman Elizabeth Mastrianni, Richard Pulie, Kim Vecchione, Rosemarie Derrig, Mike Vertuzzi, Fran Basbagill, Sean Carroll

Present: Lynn Arnow Chief of Staff, Stehanie Peters, Amy DeZenzo Town Liaison

This was a debriefing meeting following the Trumbull Day event, which was held June 28, 2014. One of the food vendors, Gary Raytar, who represented the Knights of Columbus, was present and requested to speak, it was agreed by the Commissioners to have him give his comments.

A discussion followed with Mr. Raytar stating that his organization (Knights of Columbus) be reimbursed for the entire application fee of \$300 (the non-profit vendor cost) due to the fact that Maremma Amusements also sold pizza frita. He stated that he was told that only the two organizations (Knights of Columbus and St. Margaret's Church) would be selling pizza frita.

Lynn Arnow explained that contract negotiations continued with Mr. Maremma until prior to the event, and that Mr. Maremma insisted that he be allowed the sale of Pizza Fritta, Ice Cream and Popcorn also be part of the agreement. Mr. Maremma finally verbally agreed to reimburse the two pizza frita vendors \$800 to the town for compensation. This was discussed with the Commission at the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. At the end of the event, Mr. Maremma gave the town only \$400 of the promised funds. Lynn stated that she was going to present this information to the Commission tonight and they needed to make a decision as to how this money would be distributed to the two not-for-profits who both sold pizza frita. She also explained that the town Finance Department might request something in writing to formalize the reimbursement from the two food vendors and requested that Mr. Raytar submit a written request, in the event it was needed.

Chairman, Elizabeth Mastroianni stated that she was resigning effective immediately because of the above discussion, and a number of controversies that arose between she and a few of the Commissioners over the course of the event.

Commissioner, Sean Carroll, arrived. There still remained a quorum.

Fran Basbagill motioned that the Commission proceed to Executive Session.  
Kim Vecchione seconded. Vote unanimous.

The Commissioners asked that the following recommendations be placed in the minutes for future reference:

1. Most food vendors want to sell food items exclusively;
2. The food vendors are asking to be located against the fence along the driveway, as in previous years;
3. Have only ONE entrance with 6 or more collection windows, instead of three admission entrance booths/locations;
4. Remove the curb at the entrance at Trumbull High School if this will be the main entrance;
5. At least two Commissioners be stationed at the Port-O-Potties to prevent people from coming into the event and not paying entrance fee;
6. Bathrooms at the Field House need to be locked;

7. People entered event and sat on far bleachers as well as tailgating in the parking lot without paying entrance fee;
8. More workers are needed to place bracelets on people at the entrance;
9. Volunteer gate was too crowded and many people used this entrance, which resulted in nonpayment to event. Volunteers need to have identification prior to event;
10. There should be a limit to the number of volunteers for the event;
11. Amusement ride package too expensive - \$30 this year, previous years and other town events in the area charged \$25 for a ride bracelet; (It should be noted that the contracted amount for bracelets was \$25, however, Maremma sold them for \$30);
12. Only 13 rides provided by amusement company; 14-18 rides was contracted and there was sufficient room;
13. A two day event - Friday - teen night, Saturday - 4-11 p.m. families;
14. Beer tent should not be open until 5:00 p.m.;
15. Specific language should be in all bids which states Town and Commissioners;
16. Vendors should not be allowed to sell water or soda. These items should only be sold by the Trumbull Day Commission;
17. Too many security personnel (costly). Frisking of patrons should not be allowed.
18. There should be a limit on the number of craft vendors

Respectfully submitted:

Amy DeZenzo  
Substitute Clerk