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**MINUTES**  
**STATHAM EVENTS COMMITTEE**  
**Monday, September 23, 2024**  
**6:30pm**

**A. Call to Order**

Chairperson Christine Bogenrieder called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Committee Members present: Christine Bogenrieder, Lacie Dooley, Shannon Patterson, Kristi Royston, Mickey Smith, and Gary Venable.

Community Members present: Cathy Bennett, Dean Coy, Dana Mann, and Mark Smith.

**B. Approval of the August 26, 2024 Minutes**

Gary Venable made a motion to accept with a second from Shannon Patterson. Approval passed unanimously.

**C. Sunflower Festival Recap**

Several members commented on the great festival turnout. The Events Tent and Halloween Tent were well visited. The t-shirt sales were great and lots of info was handed out.

**D. Porchfest News (09.29, 1pm – 7pm)**

The schedule is on Facebook. There will be a Map and a list of performers that day. There will be signs at each house that is part of Porchfest. They are not paid performers so tips are greatly appreciated. Tips can be received through Venmo.

**E. Halloween Scavenger Hunt (October 19, 10am – 2pm)**

The tickets are \$5 but none have sold yet. Jeremy Dooley will help with clues. All completed cards will go into a drawing, with three \$100 gift cards given to winners.

There will also be an author, Courtney McInvale, signing and selling books at the Community Center on the same day. She has a book titled "Civil War Ghosts of Georgia".

**F. Monster Mash (October 26, 6:00pm – 10:00pm)**

Tickets are capped at 125 attendees, currently priced at \$10 and will increase to \$15 on October 1. The contract arrived today and needs to be signed. The DJ is set. There will be a costume contest, by age group. Food trucks will be onsite. People who use the MASH24 code on Eventeny will receive a \$5 discount.

**G. Boo on Broad (October 26, 8am)**

Currently, there are 10 participants signed up and two \$250 sponsors. Lacie Dooley shared that the shirts will be blue and gold to honor Apalachee High School.

**H. Trick or Treating (October 31, 5:00pm – 9:00pm)**

Gary Venable said the group encouraged residents to decorate as soon as possible so that decorations could be up throughout most of October. The gazebo will be decorated. Currently, there

are two sponsors, more are needed. Food trucks include Night Sky Coffee, Pizza Flambe, and Woozie Wagon.

Attendees will be able to donate to Skellies for St. Jude. There will be signs with QR Codes to scan and donate to the charity.

**I. Veterans Day Ceremony and Banner Update (November 9)**

Chairperson Bogenrieder shared seven banners were purchased and will be displayed starting on Veteran's Day.

**J. Holiday Market (November 30, 3pm to 8pm)**

Ten market vendors have signed up and two food trucks are booked. The Sunflower Festival will do hot cocoa and cookies.

**K. Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting (November 30, 6pm)**

The City Attorney is reviewing the parade application. Once approved, they will be available at City Hall and Eventeny. The tree will be at Betty Lyle Park. Bear Creek Middle School chorus/band will perform at the tree lighting ceremony.

**L. RomCom Trivia (February 15, 2025, 6pm – 9pm)**

**M. St. Patrick's Day Parade and 5k Fundraiser for Dog Park (March 15, 2025)**

**N. Makers Market / Art in the Alley (April 12, 2025)**

**O. Cities Week (April 20 – 26, 2025)**

**P. May – June – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday / FUN Friday Statham Food Trucks and Music**

**Q. Summer Kickoff (June 7, 2025, 8am – 12noon)**

**R. July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration (July 5, 2025)**

**S. Budget Update**

Chairperson Bogenrieder shared the committee is still under budget.

**T. Any Other Discussion About Events and Event Issues**

Dana Mann shared opportunities to participate at Bear Creek Middle School. "Positive Spin Mondays" begin on September 30. Career Day is November 15 and they want to diversify jobs and presenters. She provided her cell phone number for people to call her if interested.

**U. Adjourn**

Mickey Smith made a motion to adjourn with a second from Shannon Patterson. The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm with a unanimous vote.