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MINUTES: STATHAM EVENTS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 6:30pm

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairperson Christine Bogenrieder called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- b. Committee Members present: Christine Bogenrieder, Kristi Royston, Mickey Smith, and Gary Venable.
- c. Members of the public present: Debi Krause, Cheryl Venable, and Dean Coy

2. Minute approval from last meeting – March

- a. Gary Venable's motion to approve was seconded by Mickey Smith and passed unanimously.

3. Makers market recap

- a. Spaces were sold out but there were some no-shows. Attendance was a little slow but several things were going on in the community, including spring break

4. Fourth of July

- a. Chairman Bogenreider shared the list of possible vendors, selling goods or food.
- b. In addition to vendors, the committee discussed having a DJ, hula hoops, corn hole, and sidewalk art. There was a brief discussion about how to assist/guide patrons to enter the Mexican restaurant during events.
- c. There were questions about the Entertainment District and what signs and items would be needed for alcohol compliance during the event.

5. Sunflower festival

- a. Approximately 100 vendors have applied. Some applications have been approved.
- b. The committee is not interested in a local church's offer to provide pound cake and water to attendees.
- c. A vendor reached out to see if they could have the same arrangement they had at the 2024 festival. They had two spaces, only paying for one and covering the other by providing free beverages to volunteers. The committee will not continue that arrangement.
- d. Chairman Bogenreider shared information about a barrel train ride vendor that would like to participate. Cheryl Venable, with the City of Statham, will research what would be needed and a location.
- e. The City purchased large tents and fans that can be used as needed (e.g., an eating area or inclement weather).

6. Any other events discussion

- a. The veteran banners will be placed before the Memorial Day Holiday and will stay up through July 4.
- b. 10:00am start time for Veterans Day event. Members liked the idea of asking local school ROTC members to participate. A wreath needs to be purchased.
- c. There was a discussion on how to improve the Christmas event. This included better lighting, location signage, pedestrian traffic flow, and line structure using stanchions.

7. Budget

- a. The committee discussed current budget spending and high-level plans for next year's request.

8. Adjourn

- a. Gary Venable's motion to adjourn, seconded by Mickey Smith, was unanimously approved at 7:40pm.