**Marine City Maritime Days Festival**

**Board Meeting**

**6/29/17**

**Boren Residence**

Meeting called to order at 6:54 p.m.

Present: Michele, Bob V, Julie, Rob, Bob B, Melisa, Gloria

Absent: Dawn

Guests: Larry Boren, Don Davenport

Financial Update:

Checking - $47,725.22

Miss Maritime - $9,323.96

Fireworks - $3,041.28

Next General Membership Meeting – July 12th, 6:30 p.m. at Gar’s

Waterski show asked for 800’ wide space in river. DNR said anything over 200’ wide is in the shipping channel and needs Coast Guard approval. Michele told him that and he called them and didn’t receive a response, so he told Michele he can shrink it to 200’. Michele has concerns that if he goes over that there could be a problem. General consensus is to let it go; it won’t be an issue

Michele needs a $278.78 check for Jen Kornago for design and banner. She’s hoping to have banner soon to get it up. Needs a check for $423.58 for Rob for signs.

The shirts came in and we can get them before we leave meeting

Michele – did contestants pre-order t-shirts for Ribs on the River last year? No, we just ordered some and people bought them the day of. We need to order more 3XL than last year as there wasn’t enough. We also ordered cozies last year

If anyone wants sweatshirts let Michele know so we can put in one large order to get a better price

DPW will take care of handicap parking spaces for festival

Review of last minutes

**Motion:** Melisa motions to accept minutes as presented, Rob 2nd all ayes so passed

Bob V – Mallard’s Landing wants to bring a bus w/residents to the festival and wants to know if there will be parking for bus. Melisa says to get with them and find out what day and how many people they will be bringing so we are ready for them. Bob will find out. Melisa says if they sponsor us, we will set up a tent for them

Stairs for stage are on beer trailer along with bar, beer freezer and fence posts

Two weeks before festival we need to plug in chest freezer make sure it works and clean it out. Last year it wasn’t working.

Bob B – fill it half way with water and put foam boards against side so ice doesn’t bust open freezer, then plug it in and freeze it. We unbolt the top and remove it, put beer in it and some ice over it. The beer gets very cold and may freeze, so it needs to stay unplugged during the day. The beer will freeze right into the ice. Plug it in at night. Last year we did need to plug it in during the day because it was so hot ice was melting.

We need 8-10 100’ extension cords and some 50’. Put zip ties on end to make them identifiable and no one can walk off with them. We need the cords for the beer trailer, beer cooler, lights, soap box derby and Ribs on the River; and there may be a random person who keeps blowing breakers so we let them try one of ours to see if it’s their cord.

Trash cans – we can’t get disposable cans from anyone right now, but Michele spoke with Uline and they said they would give us some for next year if we contact them in in January. Melisa says the disposables really aren’t very good. We should just go buy some. We need about 15 of the 30 gallon cans. We also need a couple boxes of contractor bags. We have some under the float, but they may be the cheap ones. We also have hornet spray under the float that we’ll need for electrical boxes.

Michele hasn’t heard from Nick at QCountry yet, but will call him because the radio spot really helps

We can get ice from Jackie. She didn’t want to charge us last year, but Julie wrote her a check anyway.

Cabs – we can get 2 cabs for $75 per hour. The guy originally wanted to charge us $60 just to drive to Marine City, but dropped that. He complained that he only has 4 cabs, so we’re taking half for those 2 nights. Will run cabs from 10:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

The bottom step was forgotten at the New Baltimore parade so we’ll have to get 2 milk crates as a replacement. Bob V will get them.

Some of the Miss Maritime Days moms want to walk beside the float and pass out brochures for the Algonac Parade. Bob V’s nephew will also pass out fliers with the wagon. Don and Julie will ride with Bob V in the truck on Sunday. Parade is at 2:00 p.m.

Coolers – we need 1 for HQ, 1 by beer cooler, 1 for stage and 2 for Ribs on the River, but usually we use the Ribs on the River cooler for the stage on Saturday night. Bob & Melisa have one, Michele has 2, Don & Julie have a few and Maritime Days has 2.

Certified judges – Bob V, Michele, Larry (but he will be on stage and unable to judge), Garry Spencer wants to judge and renewed his certification; Bill Blanchard, Frank Stockwell, and Jeremy Davenport can renew his certification, also.

We received another entry for Ribs on the River from Dennis Hahn from Seasoned Pitmasters. Michele emailed last year’s contestants and they confirmed that they are doing the sanctioned event this year, so won’t make it. She asked if we could become a sanctioned event and Melisa explained that the officials have to come in for it and we need to pay for their food and lodging and still do all the work. Not really worth it.

Algonac H.S. Marching band will be marching in our parade

We received sponsorship check from FoamAll

Vendor – The Wright Path-they do taro readings and crystals

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.