**Town of Sturbridge**

**Special Events Committee**

**December 7, 2020**

**REMOTE MEETING VIA GO TO MEETING**

Present: K. Carey, M. Dowling, S. Nasto, A. Roscioli

Absent: L. Beaudin

Others present: J. Bridges; C. Neslusan, Terry Masterson

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:02 pm by T. Masterson.

An explanatory paragraph, referencing Governor Baker’s Order, dated March 12, 2020, which suspended certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law and allowed remote meetings of town boards and committees provided certain conditions are satisfied, was read into the record. The entire text can be found on the Agenda page.

Committee Members agreed to table the meeting minutes of November 2, 2020 pending review of the meeting tape for needed information.

C. Neslusan provided a summary of the Home of the Brave road race. A total of 51 runners registered for the race, 41 of which submitted their results on the website. The race raised a total of $1,978.75. A. Roscioli and C. Neslusan donated an additional sum of money to raise the total to an even $2,000. The Sturbridge Coffee House raised a total of $685.00 through its fundraising efforts and the Publick House raised $48.75. 50 hats have been delivered and 50 more are forthcoming. All agreed that the road race was a success, particularly given the circumstances of having to hold a virtual race. Committee members agreed that next year’s race would occur on Saturday, November 13, 2021. Committee members thanked C. Neslusan for all of her time, effort, and expertise in making this year’s race a success despite the challenges that the Committee faced during these difficult times.

Attention turned to the best time to hold the next SEC meeting. K. Carey suggested that we hold a meeting in January to brainstorm ideas for upcoming events for 2021, both virtual, and in person, if possible. Committee members agreed noting that it takes time to plan events and a January meeting would be beneficial for planning purposes.

The next meeting is scheduled for January, 25, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. via Go To Meeting.

The meeting ended at approximately 5:25 p.m.

**Motion to adjourn by M. Dowling, seconded by S. Nasto**

**Vote 4-0 Via Roll Call Vote**

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Meeting minutes prepared by M. Dowling, Clerk