OLD HOME DAY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Friday, April 17, 2026; 9:30 a.m.; Sunnycrest Conference Room

Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry NH 03053

PRESENT: Ted Combes, Kirsten Hildonen, Kaylyn Moore, Rick Pierce, Kaylee Esposito (arrived at 9:39 a.m.)

PUBLIC / GUESTS: none

Called to Order: 9:37 a.m. by T Combes

T Combes volunteered to preside over the meeting until officers were elected. T Combes moved discussion and approval of bylaws up on the agenda and hold officers until K Esposito arrived.

The Board discussed the draft bylaws. K Hildonen noted that after approval by the Board it would go to legal for review, and the removal clause would need legal attention to ensure it complies with both Town Charter and state standards. The Board discussed the possibility of adding a requirement that the Town Council liaison be required to attend Friday events but arrived at consensus against it.

A motion to approve the bylaws was made by R Pierce and seconded by K Moore. Motion passed 5-0.

The Directors held a roundtable discussion as to who wanted to assume the duties of each of the officer positions.

A motion to elect the following officers was made by T Combes and seconded by K Esposito:

- **President: Rick Pierce**
- **Vice President: Kaylee Esposito**
- **Secretary: Kirsten Hildonen**
- **Treasurer: Kaylyn Moore**

Motion passed 5-0.

The Board confirmed the Old Home Day 2025 event dates as Wednesday, August 12, 2026 through Saturday, August 15, 2026. They discussed the schedule of events from 2025 and arrived at a consensus to continue the following events as they were scheduled last year:

- Concert on the Common on Wednesday night (run by the Londonderry Arts Council with Stephen Lee and Julie Lee as the primary organizers)
- Color Run on Thursday afternoon (run by the Recreation Department with Doug Cole as the primary organizer)
- Movie Night on Thursday night (run by the Londonderry Police Association with Ryan Buker as the previous contact)
- Fireworks and Food Trucks on Friday Night

- Legion Beer Pavilion on Friday Night (organized by the Sons of the American Legion with Pete Miaiszek as the organizer)
- Baby Contest on Saturday morning (invite Mandy and Ben Harrison back as organizers)
- Parade on Saturday morning (invite Steve Dente back as organizer)
- Morrison House Museum activities on Saturday (organized by the Londonderry Historical Society with Linda Green as the primary organizer)
- Vintage Car Lineup on Saturday (invite Brian Capone to be the primary organizer)
- Booths on the Common on Saturday with hours of 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (rather than 4:00 p.m.)
- Boot Scootin' Boogie on Saturday night (organized by Millenium Running with John Mortimer as the primary organizer)

Activities that require further discussion include:

- Senior Night on Wednesday – moving to Orchard Christian Church and potentially changing the food and activities. The Board will invite Ilona Arndt, Senior Affairs Director and primary organizer, to a future meeting to discuss her plan.
- Beer Tents & Kid Zone on Saturday – need to evaluate space needs, permitting, and participants, as well as tent/tables/chairs since Senior Night is changing locations.
- Potential interfaith events on Sunday organized by Phil from Orchard Christian in conjunction with other local faith organizations. Potential challenges include ensuring the Common is sufficiently cleared of Saturday's materials, bandwidth of the Board and volunteers, and publicizing a religious event. The Board will continue to discuss and explore this possibility.

The Board discussed the theme for the 2026 Old Home Day. The Board agreed that it should be linked to the 250th anniversary of the United States, but focusing on Londonderry during that time. K Hildonen will workshop ideas for how to best articulate that without confusing it with the founding date of Londonderry.

A motion to approve America 's 250th anniversary as the theme of 2026 's Old Home Day was made by T Combes and seconded by K Moore. Motion passed 5-0.

The Board reviewed the fireworks bid package and bid alternate. The bid has a closing date of May 28, 2026.

A motion to approve the bid was made by K Espositio and seconded by K Hildonen. Motion passed 5-0.

The Board reviewed the 2025 Sponsorship and registration forms and came to consensus to use the same ones with relevant updates for 2026.

The Board briefly reviewed the lists of past sponsors, anticipated expenses, the bank balance, and the history of expenditures and revenues. This information will be explored in more detail at a future meeting.

The Board set their next meeting date for Friday, April 24 at 11:30 a.m. with a tentative date for a full Committee meeting set for Thursday, May 14 at 6 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by T Combes and seconded by K Moore. Motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Kirsten Hildonen.