SEYMOUR CULTURE AND ARTS COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 23, 2016  7:00 PM

SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

Those in Attendance: Judy Simpson  Mary Barbin  Ann Conroy  Priscilla Altorelli  Linda Bellavance

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM

Purpose of the meeting is to discuss Halloween scarecrows for downtown display.

Valerie D'Anna brought with her a sample scarecrow for the Committee's inspection. After review of the measurements it was decided a smaller version would be used and construction would be done so that framework would fold up for easy storage. Valerie stated that she had a friend who would do the construction and the Committee will assemble and place in various locations around the downtown business area. Chairman Simpson and Valerie will present to the Board of Selectmen to get the okay for placements. Requested places will be; Train Station, corner of First and Bank Sts, Town Hall (2), Broad Street Park and end of Main by Strand.

Valerie will purchase all needed supplies, i.e.; pumpkin heads, hay and building materials.

Halloween Parade: Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016 1:00 PM (children asked to gather by 12:45 pm)

Costumed children who plan to partake in the downtown Trick or Treat event will be asked to gather at the lot at the corner of Bank Street and First Streets to Parade around the block prior to visiting local businesses for treats. The parade will be lead by the Seymour Middle School Band, under the direction of Band Director, Sarah Meek. The parade will follow the following route: Bank Street to Main St, proceed on Main St to Seymour Post Office, right onto DeForest St, right onto First St and back to lot located at First St and Bank St. Children will walk to block twice before disbursing to visit the local stores. Seymour High School's Hope Club and junior members of the Seymour's Club will be on hand to walk the perimeters of the parade to keep all the children contained to one area. Participation ribbons will be distributed to those who march. Ann Conroy will purchase ribbons.

Local businesses will greet children from 1:30 – 3:30 PM.

Linda Bellavance will write letter to downtown merchants informing them of this year's events.

Motion made to adjourned meeting at 7:50 PM by Valerie D'Anna, second by Priscilla Altorelli.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Bellavance  Secretary