

**City of Port Jervis Tourism Committee - Regular Meeting:**

The regular meeting of the City of Port Jervis Finance Committee was held vis Zoom on Tuesday January 12,2022 at 7:06 p.m.

**Attendance-**

<b>Maria Mann</b>	<b>Liaison</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Melissa Newhauser</b>		<b>Present</b>
<b>Annie Foster</b>		<b>Present</b>
<b>Laura Meyer</b>		<b>Present</b>
<b>Mike Meyer</b>		<b>Present</b>
<b>Kelly Decker</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Present</b>

Mr. Mayor:

Okay, go ahead. So you want to do... When we're doing a recording like this, I'll lead it off. It is Wednesday, January 12th, 2022. It is 7:06 PM. This is the Tourism Board meeting for the city of Port Jervis. We're just going to do a quick roll call. I'll call out your name and then just state your name and say, "Present". Laura Meyer.

Laura Meyer:

Here. Laura Meyer, here.

Mr. Mayor:

Maria

Maria Mann:

Maria Mann, present

Mr. Mayor:

Melissa?

Melissa Newhauser:

Melissa Newhauser, present.

Mr. Mayor:

Jen?

Jen Foster:

Jennifer Foster, present

Mr. Mayor:

Annie?

Annie Foster:

Anne Foster, present.

Mr. Mayor:

Mike?

Mike Meyer:

Present.

Mr. Mayor:

Okay. I'll take it over, Mike.

Laura Meyer:

Okay, so we're ready to kick things off. I figure maybe we'll make it a short meeting since I'm feeling a little bit better, but not great. I guess right now we can discuss the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Mr. Mayor, does it look like that we will be able to have the event?

Mr. Mayor:

As of right now, there's no restrictions on anything.

Laura Meyer:

Outdoor events are okay?

Mr. Mayor:

Yeah, there's no restrictions on anything.

Laura Meyer:

Oh, I thought they started doing things. Okay. Well, we have the date of March 6th, 2022 planned. Maria, have any updates on anything, or we have to start booking participants?

Maria Mann:

Yeah, I haven't done anything because we didn't know where we were going to stand with having it or not having it.

Laura Meyer:

Okay. Mr. Mayor, I know we have a starting budget for 2022 of a thousand dollars, but obviously it's a lot more to book the bagpipe bands.

Mr. Mayor:

Yeah, so what you need to do it is just talk to John Faggione and Laura to see how much money is in that account.

Laura Meyer:

Okay. And then we could take it from there.

Mr. Mayor:

Yeah.

Laura Meyer:

Okay. Anybody have any ideas who they would like to be the... Oh my God, I'm drawing a blank.

Mr. Mayor:

Grand marshal.

Laura Meyer:

Grand marshal this year? Anybody know anybody Irish in Port Jervis? No suggestions? Everybody can think about it, and then they can email me if they have somebody that comes to mind. Male, female, it could be one person, it could be two people. And I could start... Well, I just would need from Maria the letter, just changing the date, the same letter we've been using for the last two years, to send to the fire departments and the ambulance squads and the other groups that we send the letter to.

Maria Mann:

I'll get that over to you.

Laura Meyer:

And that would just be a date change. Anything else regarding the St Patrick's Day parade? No?

Maria Mann:

So you doing trophies again?

Laura Meyer:

Yeah, we can order trophies again.

Maria Mann:

Assign judges and...

Laura Meyer:

Well, we could start tomorrow with that. We had a very nice crowd this past year, so I hope we would have the same thing. Not sure. Just don't know, but it's outdoors. Hopefully people will space and everybody will be healthier. They said they we've already reached the peak. I'm not sure about that of COVID here in New York state.

Mr. Mayor:

I don't think they know what [inaudible 00:03:58].

Laura Meyer:

I don't think they know. My daughter said to go get a COVID test. And I said, "Well, I can breathe, I'm not coughing, and what are they going to do for me? So don't worry about it, I'll stay home." And I'm feeling better right at the moment, for the moment, so not that sick. It's just, I was sick again after being sick right after the Christkindl Market, so twice in a row. I don't usually get hit like that, but I am getting older. Is there anything else anybody would like to discuss?

Mr. Mayor:

We will have the... I just talked to Maria, but we have the backside of the flip cards done, so we're probably good. I haven't gotten any response back that anything was wrong, so I think we're going to go ahead, Maria, if you want to work with me to set that up and we'll get them printed.

Maria Mann:

I need to line everything up. It's not... I have to fix it. It's a draft.

Mr. Mayor:

OK, so what you have there, I haven't heard any feedback, so let's go ahead and get me what you need, and who we have to send it to and we'll get them printed.

Laura Meyer:

It'll be shipped right to the Information Center, correct? The Travel Center?

Mr. Mayor:

What we'll do is we'll probably split it. I'll send some to the Information Center, and some here so that we can give them out locally, handed out.

Laura Meyer:

That's all I have, that I wanted to discuss today. I figure we'd make it short and sweet.

Maria Mann:

Okay.

Mr. Mayor:

It's nice. I like short and sweet meetings.

Laura Meyer:

I like the short, sweet ones, too. So we're going to sign off at 7:11.

Maria Mann:

Wow. It's a record, Laura.

Laura Meyer:

I think it is. I think I made it 15 minutes one time, so it's not too bad.

Mr. Mayor:

All right, everybody have a great night. Thank you.

Laura Meyer:

Thank you. [crosstalk 00:05:46].

Maria Mann:

Stay warm tonight, everybody. [crosstalk 00:05:49].