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MINUTES: STATHAM EVENTS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, July 8, 2025, 6:30pm

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairperson Christine Bogenrieder called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- b. Committee Members present: Christine Bogenrieder, Lacie Dooley, Shannon Patterson, Kristi Royston, Mickey Smith, and Gary Venable.
- c. Members of the public present: Debi Krause and Mark Smith

2. Minute approval from last meeting – June

- a. Lacie Dooley's motion to approve was seconded by Mickey Smith and passed unanimously.

3. Fourth of July Review

- a. All committee members were pleased with the event and its attendance. They also appreciated the City's Public Works employees for all the support they provided.
- b. The children's books donated by the Barrow Literacy Partnership were very popular.
- c. Thoughts for next year: more food trucks, lower music volume, get a dumpster, have a first aid kit at the Event Tent. Mayor Krause plans to talk to Georgia Power and Jackson EMC about improving the lights and outlets.
- d. The City will check the legality of having a cornhole tournament.

4. Back to School Trivia – August 8

- a. The event is on Eventeny. There will be a food truck or Chick-fil-A. There will be door prizes. Doors open at 6:00pm, trivia begins at 6:30pm.

5. Sunflower festival – September 20

- a. There will be staggered arrival times for vendors and especially food trucks. The committee will schedule some participants to arrive and set up the night before. The City's tents and chairs will be used to establish the food court area.

6. Veterans Day event – November 8

- a. 10:00am start time at the Veterans Memorial. Committee member Lacie Dooley will create a flyer.
- b. The committee is considering inviting the Fort Yargo Community Band and the local ROTC to participate.
- c. Veteran banners can still be purchased. All the banners will be displayed before the event.

7. Christmas in Statham – November 29

- a. The food trucks and gift market will be open 3:00pm – 8:00pm. Times have not yet been determined for the tree lighting and Santa Claus. The Statham Police Department will give out free stuffies. There are bells left from the 2024 event.
- b. Mayor Krause asked the committee to consider holding the 2026 event before Thanksgiving. With City employees involved, holiday and additional hours are a factor now.

8. Any other event committee/events discussion

- a. Two future ideas were mentioned: a car show with music and food trucks at night.

9. Adjourn

- a. Kristi Royston's motion to adjourn, seconded by Mickey Smith, was unanimously approved at 7:17pm.