

Portsmouth Citizen's Response Task Force

Bridge Street Subcommittee Meeting

July 27, 2020

Present:

Russ Grazier, subcommittee chair and task force member
James Petersen, task force co-chair
Deb Anthony, task Force member
Ben Van Camp, Chamber Collaborative of Greater Portsmouth
Peter Rice, City of Portsmouth Director of Public Works
Joseph Almeida, City of Portsmouth Facilities Manager
Kim McNamara, City of Portsmouth Health Officer
Stephanie Seacord, City of Portsmouth Public Information Officer
Robert Marsillia, City of Portsmouth Chief Inspector
Patrick Howe, City of Portsmouth Deputy Fire Chief
Josh Denton, Chair of Pop Up Portsmouth
Joanna Kelly, Treasurer of Pop Up Portsmouth
Andrew Bagley, Secretary of Pop Up Portsmouth
North Sturtevant, JSA, Pop Up Portsmouth Board member
Laura Brown, Pop Up Portsmouth Board member
Tristin Law, General Manager of Pop Up NH
Dagan Migirditch, Liars Bench Beer Co.

These notes are general in nature and are intended to document topics discussed and are not minutes.

Work progress:

Stage us completed.

City Plumbing is completed.

Beer vending shed is almost complete.

Two additional sheds are in progress.

1 water shed with additional sink in progress.

Update on Permits Outstanding needs.

- Robert M asked that the plumbing and electric contractors pull their building permits. His staff needs time to approve and cannot wait until last minute. It was decided that these need to be scheduled by noon 7/30/2020 to allow time for schedule of walk through by electric and plumbing inspectors.
Robert made it clear that all permits need to be in place before the lot is opened.
- Patrick Howe (Deputy Fire Chief) noted he needs a Permit for Assembly. Willing to work with Pop Up NH and does not foresee major obstacles.
- Liquor license is needed. Joe Kelly offered to work with Dagan. There will be wine, beer and hard liquor.

- Dagan believed that the restaurants needed to get the lic through the state. And then Pop Up NH needs the contracts as the “property owner”.
- Peter Rice noted he will ask City Atty for legal assistance to coordinate the liquor lic questions and process. Since this is a Temporary event.
- Pat noted he will need to process the Permit for Assembly to facilitate the liquor lic process.

Police Details

- Police -the City will require Police Details at all events. Joanna offered to assist in this area to see how many and related costs. There was a question about if City will fund details. Russ noted the 50K (from his discussions) is likely used up and money will be need to be provided by PopUpNH to support the Police Details. Joe Almeida also suggested the 50K is likely used up.
- Dagan asked how this was different than other street dining and drinking? Follow up on this question will be needed.

Health Concerns /Health Dept Needs

- Kim discussed loose ends such as porta potty maintenance and sanitation.
- Clarity around reheating sheds and the grill yard.
- Noted she liked the ordering from tables only!
- Also Kim noted she was pleased with the limited volunteers and screening plan.
- She noted there is no need for grease trap since only reheating in sheds.
- North noted and issue with griddles and grills (He and Kim will address asap)
- Kim stressed the importance of no RAW meat on the premises
- Operation plans need to include hours of activities and businesses open
- Kim questioned if the Host was also in charge of line control, Pop Up NH will have volunteers managing the lines.
- What needs to be completed is FINAL INSPECTION, measurements of table and seating layout.

Security

- Russ asked about security when the site is closed. Discussed possible security cameras on site. Joe Almeida noted there is not a lot of security in the low fencing and people could easily walk into site. There are no security doors.
- Questions about spot lights to help keep possible trouble away?
- Russ noted this is like Prescott Park not policed all the time.
- Use of Mi Box to lock things up will help secure equipment.
- Sheds will be locked up at night.
- Us of security cameras could be deterrent.
- Peter Rice offered to see what light could be connected to the street lights.
- Lighting at nights remains an open item.

Planned Event this weekend 8/1/20

- There is a fashion show planned for Saturday night.
- North noted that he believed there could be Beer Shed and 1 Food Shed and wash shed completed by Friday.
- Robert reminded Pop Up NH that his inspectors needed to be contacted and a plan for inspection before 1 pm on Friday.
- It was noted that the Fashion Show may have to be postponed.

FINAL PLAN for Inspections and Opening:

Russ suggested that the City be notified by NOON 7/30/20 if they were needed to inspect for an Opening by Saturday 8/1/20/

If not ready by noon 7/30/20 then all inspections would be moved to early next week for opening following weekend.

Next Meeting Monday 8/3/20 at 4pm

Start Date for the Pop-Up Venue: Josh assured the committee that they feel confident that start date for the event space will be determined by noon on 7/31/20.