

BRISTOL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

General Committee Meeting, Burnside Building – 400 Hope Street, Bristol, RI

Monday, March 10, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Call to Order 7:02 PM by General Chairman, Tanya Kieron

Members Present: Tanya Kieron, Joseph Kalen, Nat Squatrito, Patty Squatrito, Will Sousa Grapentine

Guests Present: Nicki Tyska and Heather Pacheco from the Bristol Merchants Association

Will proposed general monthly meetings on the 2nd Monday of the month. Nat 2nd it and all were in favor.

We tabled nominations for Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Discussed recruitment ideas as well as a list of 2025 goals and events.

Will proposed going forth with annual ornament for 2025. Nat 2nd it and all were in favor.

Discussed committee presence in 4th of July parade. Will was proposed as the Sub-committee Chairman. Joe 2nd it and all were in favor. Will is notifying Ana Barboza Motta on the 4th of July Committee of our intent to participate. He is also gathering information regarding obtaining a convertible for our use during parade. Tanya and Joe agreed to participate in the parade as well.

Discussed partnering with Bristol Merchants Association at Christmas Festival events. Partnership was established with Nicki Tyska and Heather Pacheco from BMA.

Nat and Patty Squatrito were appointed joint Sub-committee Chairmen for the Grand Illumination to be held on Saturday, December 6th. Michael Rielly has been outreached and is onboard to portray Santa Claus for the event. Nat and Patty are seeking requests for quotes for lighting and sound technicians for the event.

The next meeting was confirmed for Monday, April 14, 2025, at 7pm.

Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Patty 2nd it and all were in favor.