

December 10, 2024

Irmo Okra Strut Commission Meeting

VMP: M. Ward, P. Hawkins, L. Sherr, S. Fulmer, D. Cilley, M. Carpenter. Absent: K. Snipes

NVMP: Mayor Ballentine, C. Dennis, D. B. Waldman, Melissa Ward, T. Horton, G. Fulmer, A. Grimstead

I. CTO: 1815

II. A. Motion to approve minutes from August 27, 2024 by L. Sherr, 2nd S. Fulmer, approve 6-0

B. Motion to approve minutes from September 10, 2024 by D. Cilley, 2nd S. Fulmer, approve 6-0

C. Motion to approve minutes from October 9, 2024 by D. Cilley, 2nd S. Fulmer, approve 6-0

D. Motion to approve minutes from November 12, 2024 by L. Sherr, 2nd S. Fulmer, approve 6-0

III. No amendments to the agenda

IV. No presentation by citizens

V. We have given 2 rounds of refunds to vendors & food vendors.

VI. No current old business

VII. A. Motion to approve the 2025 meeting schedule by S. Fulmer, 2nd L. Sherr, approve 6-0

B. Motion to approve non-voting commissioners Glynn Fulmer and James Mack. M. Ward motioned to strike James Mack and 2nd by M. Carpenter, approve 6-0. Motion to approve Glynn Fulmer, Melissa Ward & Jada Powell by S. Fulmer, 2nd D. Cilley, approve 6-0.

C. Task Chair appointments:

Parade: M. Carpenter

Rentals: K. Snipes

Entertainment: L. Sherr

Volunteers: S. Fulmer

Admin: M. Ward

Sponsors: M. Ward, assisted by P. Hawkins

D. Discussion of budget. M. Ward provided a copy of the budget draft. We will add parking expenses, postage for mailers for sponsors, will separate rentals, amusements, marketing and the website. There was much discussion of entertainment budget, stopping the strut at 6pm, having a bigger name Friday night and local talent on Saturday.

E. 2025 Entertainment will be 6-11 pm Friday with headliner band, local talent Sat.

F. Motion to approve engaging Hijacked for the headliner for the 2025 Strut for not more than \$5,000.00. This includes lighting and the sound by L. Sherr, 2nd S. Fulmer, approve 6-0.

Motion to postpone Item F until January Meeting by M. Ward, 2nd L. Sherr, approve 6-0.

Noting no further discussion motion to adjourn by D. Cilley, 2nd S. Fulmer, approve 6-0

Meeting adjourned 1908.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Hawkins