

ITEM

22-064

To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on extending the Mass Gathering Permit for The Garden Brothers Family Circus to add an additional show date of July 4, 2022

(ORIGINAL MEMO FROM APRIL 11, 2022 COUNCIL PACKET)

MEMORANDUM

To: William Shane, Town Manager

From: Tamara O'Donnell, Town Clerk

Re: Garden Brothers Circus

A meeting was held at 10:00 a.m., on Monday, March 28, 2022, with Deputy Town Clerk Abbey Lombard, Police Chief Rumsey, Police Sgt. Lachance, Fire Chief Dan Small, and Fire Admin. Deb Rand, as well as Mr. Lyle Merrifield on phone.

I reviewed in detail the requirements of the Mass Gathering Ordinance. The following represents our mutual understanding:

- Exact attendance levels are unknown, however, it was determined that 1,000-1,500 per show is likely. Therefore, the organizers will pay the Minor Mass Gathering fee of \$250.00.
- The Garden Brothers Family Circus will be held on June 30, July 1, 2, & 3, 2022. The hours will be from June 30 and July 1, from 3:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., July 2, 12:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., and July 3, 12:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m. (Requesting an extension of extra day, July 4, 2022, two shows, at 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.)
- Circus under the Big Top will be a 90 minute performance.
- Parking will be on the fairgrounds.
- There will be circus owned concessions with cotton candy, popcorn, and soda.
- Trash will be taken care of on site.
- Insurance certificate is attached.
- There will be 2 EMT's, from the Fire Department on site at both locations. (No staff available for requested extension date.)
- There will be 2 police officers on duty at the event, with one (.5) being there at peak times only. (No staff available for requested extension date.)
- Communication between parties will be by two way radio and cell phone.
- Contact person for this event is Ms. Annalisa Presley. Contact number is 941-343-2378 ext.204.

Approximate fees for this event are as follow:

\$ 250.00 Mass Gathering Permit

\$4,030.56 Police Department

\$1,647.00 Fire Department

I believe we have covered all areas related to the Mass Gathering Permit application. I anticipate that this event will be very successful and well managed. I hope the weather cooperates and they have a wonderful turnout. Thank you.

Tammy O'donnell

From: Dan Small
Sent: Thursday, May 5, 2022 12:46 PM
To: Tammy O'donnell
Subject: Re: request for additional circus shows

Tammy,

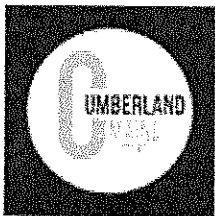
I am of the same opinion as Chief Rumsey. The fire department cannot provide sufficient protection for both the community and this event so I am not in support of this request.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Dan

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From: Tammy O'donnell <todonnell@cumberlandmaine.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 5, 2022 12:23:34 PM
To: Dan Small <dsmall@cumberlandmaine.com>
Subject: FW: request for additional circus shows



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From: Charles Rumsey <crumsey@cumberlandmaine.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 5, 2022 11:42 AM
To: Tammy O'donnell <todonnell@cumberlandmaine.com>
Subject: request for additional circus shows

Tammy,

As discussed by phone today, I am opposed to extending the existing mass gathering permit for the circus to include July 4th. That national holiday generally causes us a substantial call volume with fireworks and other loud noise complaints, and because of the holiday I believe that the staffing demands on our small department would be unreasonable.

I hope this information is helpful – please let me know if you need anything further.

Respectfully,

Chip



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