

Becket 250th Anniversary Committee Minutes

November 4, 2013

I. Call to order

Becket 250th Anniversary Committee (Committee) began the meeting at 4:08 P.M. on November 4, 2013 in the Becket Town Hall.

II. Roll call

The following Committee members were present: Linda Bacon, Rita Furlong, Bruce Garlow, Sandi Jarvis, Karen Karlberg, Barbara Roberts, and Ann Spadafora.

III. Open issues

Minutes-September motion to accept, seconded, passed unanimously; October, 2013 edits made, motion to accept, seconded, passed unanimously.

- A. Linda Bacon informed the Committee about pictures and newspaper clippings available at the Becket Athenaeum. They are categorized, labeled from 1965 and earlier. Located on top of the book shelves.
- B. Ecumenical Church Service: Rita has spoken with Town minister (Protestant) and Sean Mulholland (Catholic), they will participate in Service. Need to make Jewish contact.
- C. Town Logo for flag and decals:
 1. Rita will make contacts to advertise for new logo submissions
 2. Eligible for all ages
 3. Deadline January 31, 2014; submissions to Town Hall on 8.5 x 11 inch paper
 4. Selection committee will be comprised of 250th Committee members and others (discussed Board of Selectmen member, art teacher etc.)
 5. Town Meeting in May 2014 will vote whether to adopt the new logo
- D. Jacob's Pillow Update:
 1. Ann Spadafora reported Jacob's Pillow staff has formed a committee to organize their information for the history update book. They have not firmed up participation or dates (suggested dates: Saturday, May 30, Friday, June 5, and Saturday, June 13th; our Committee needs to know ASAP for our planning).
- E. Fire Works: Any further presentations?
- F. History Book Update:
 1. Discussed October 29 List of topics and contributors from Bruce
 - a. Need contributors for Camp Lenox – Rita will approach a possible connection, Camp Tomoka and Camp Tamarack – Barbara will see what she can find; brief paragraph for non-existent camps

- b. Modern military history: is Skip Saville interested?; have Vietnam veteran's list; don't need lists-need interesting facts
 - c. Ambulance service: Ann will contact other resources to gather information
 - d. Land Trust: Rita will get a contact
 - e. Mullen House: Rita is Chairwoman
 - f. Other cultural attractions: Ready to drop from the list?
 - g. Agriculture and farms: Linda Canterbury Farm, tree farms, Sunny Banks
 - h. Sole proprietors: paragraph many small businesses
 - i. State and Federal Open Space: Karen, include Appalachian Trail, Bulkley-Dunton-good time to correct the spelling
 - j. Becket Town Parks and Open Space: Rita include Land Trust
 - k. Roads: include Jacobs Ladder/Rt 20
 - l. Business and commerce: general stores-Michel? Rita will call Bob P., ; small businesses, builders, contractors, pallet shop, tourism, professionals, quarries;
 - m. Format: write article, Bruce will edit; shorter better, try to keep under 2,000 words, focus on history; lists of important people can be included on website, in Town Reports, available at Town Hall, also at Becket Athenaeum and Historic Commission(archive only)-State mandates duplicate copies of history events; lists not included in book itself possibly a smaller print addendum
 - n. 250th Committee Official photo: Karen suggested
 - o. Other lakes and ponds: lake associations/Districts, Crystal Pond, Yokum Pond
 - p. Farms: tree farms
 - q. Becket Athenaeum: include markers, memorial markers
- G. Geocache: Barbara has made an initial contact
- H. Website
- a. Expenses: reimbursement procedure
 - b. GoDaddy.com or Domain.com for host, template, minimum 10 pages to start, Karen to explore expenses
 - c. Discussed Word Press Website Development Workshop in Williamstown, on November 16, 2013. Karen will pay half of the \$349 registration fee. Motion: Move to spend \$175 in order to train member Karen Karlberg to establish and maintain the 250th Anniversary Committee website. Seconded, passed unanimously
 - d. Website colors: nature colors, blue, green, gold
- I. Meeting with Laurel Herman document
- 1. 1,000 copies
 - 2. Target date November 1, 2014
 - 3. Photos new only not photos included in original book
 - 4. Synopsis of original book, anyone interested in writing this? Bruce

5. Coffee book quality
6. Publication: online sites like Shutterfly.com etc. produce school edition books
7. Cost no more than \$20, to cover cost of publication, any extra will be returned to the Town
8. Pre-sell to businesses to give as complimentary copies

J. New Business

K. Next Meeting

Monday December 2, 2013

Becket Room, Town Hall 4 P.M.

**Thank you for your continued attendance and support of this Committee!
If you are no longer a member of this Committee please officially notify us
so we can adjust our quorum requirement.**

L. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:31 P.M.

Submitted by: Sandi Jarvis

Thank you