

Draft Minutes  
Tricentennial Committee Meeting  
July 18, 2017

Meeting called to order by David at 1:19 pm. Weezie to be a voting member for the meeting.

Present: Judy Haskell, Weezie Vance, Betsy Dexter, David French, Angelo Montrone  
Absent: Normal Merrill, Todd Wagner, Dale Ohsberg

1. *Treasury Report*: Betsy reported for Norma that there is \$5131.34 in our account as of 6/30/2017. No update on the Selectmen's Fund. Motion made by David to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weezie. All in favor.
2. *Approval of Expense Reimbursements*: Vote to approve reimbursements for FB media blasts. Motion made by Judy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weezie. All in favor.
3. *Issues for Extended Discussion*:

- *Merchandise*: Angelo showed committee mock-ups of current version of merchandise. Committee looked at and discussed various options for t-shirts, long sleeved t-shirt, hat, polo shirt. Time frame for order is 1-2 weeks. There is no minimal order. Plan is to display/sell at register at Applecrest. Angelo stated that Todd would like to be the exclusive seller. Angelo will also do a FB promotion. Weezie offered to be available at town hall varying times to allow for people to pick up their orders. There was discussion about various other ways to sell merch such as the concerts on the common, online. Lori Ruest arrived at the meeting at 1:35 to discuss t-shirt pick-up/sales at the town hall. Lori said that town staff would not be able to sell merchandise but in order for pick-up to be allowed, it would have to be approved by the Selectmen. ADA recommends that nothing is to be set up in the hallway. Angelo will attend the August 16 Selectmen's Meeting to answer questions. Lori also mentioned that she will check with the town treasurer to see how to set up a sub-account for depositing the proceeds.

- *Carnival*: Angelo made an initial connection with Fiesta Shows in Seabrook. We would need 1-1/2 acres available. Options for space include Applecrest, ?Silver Oaks. Carnival company has a 5 million dollar liability, would need Selectman approval if on private land? Angelo hopes to bring someone from the company to our next meeting. Will need Todd to be at next meeting so we can discuss dates, specifics.

- *Horse Show*: David suggested that we review that possibility of a horse show at Taylor River Farm. Jared Gove spoke with the horse show national organizers at some point. David will follow up with Jared.

- *High End Fundraiser*: Extended discussion tabled to next meeting. There were suggestions made as items for silent auction: antique car with champagne tour of historical sites in town, artist painting of home, séance meeting perhaps at Brown homestead, Chef's dinner at private home, tickets to Red Sox.

*Ideas for Recruiting New Volunteers:* Angelo reminded group that there was an idea in Feb. to have a gathering at library for potential volunteers. Currently, we have about 55 people on the volunteer list. Betsy stated that the same handful of people offer to help with each event that we have organized. Discussion about potential Halloween event with Friends of the Bandstand. Group felt that chicken bbq's are a lot of work and net a small profit. Last profit was 400.00 and if split with any other committee would not be worth the work. David will speak with Karen Sabatini who originally contacted our committee. Weezie suggested an alternative event which would be to sell posts for families and children in town to decorate as "scarecrows". They would be posted on town hall and potentially offer prize for best. Other towns have done event as fundraiser.

*Other Business:* No other business reported.

*Next Meeting:* Aug 1 or Aug 8. Betsy will send out email blast to committee.

Meeting adjourned at 2:28 pm.