Bicentennial Committee

Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2012 **Time**: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street, Millbury

Attendees		
Cynthia Burr	William Kane, Sr.,	Joyce Ostrowski
Carole Chiras	Denise Marlborough	Jamie Rembiszewski
Paul DiCicco	E. Joseph McKeon	Chris Sinacola
Jeffrey Dore	Robert Morton	Peg Spang
·	Mary Lou Mulhane	
Committee Members Abs	sent	
Roger Desrosiers	Catherine Elliott	Karen Gagliardi
Frank Gagliardi	Carol Vulter	Ron Marlborough
Paul Raffa	Lynn Winston	Annie Gasco
Karen Gagliardi	-	
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Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Consideration of minutes. Motion by Joe to accept, second by Denise. Discussion: Mary Lou asked for a minor clarification, which was given. Minutes unanimously approved.

Dennis Robbins and Dean Moss from local Masonic Lodge visited with the committee, asking how they can participate in the bicentennial celebration. They were advised that they can work with the committee on the June 15, 2013, birthday party, hosting tours of their meeting hall; the Mason were also invited to participate in the parade, by marching, etc. Dean noted that they have the form for participating with a float in the parade on Sunday, June 23, 2013.

Committee reports

Finance/Fundraising Committee

Joyce reported MBC fund stands at \$236,101.45, and detailed other income and expenditures. There are seven copies of the Centennial History at \$75 each, and no further orders are being taken or planned. Various invoices. Joyce told the committee how she scored 1,000 plastic forks on amazon.com for just \$15.99 including shipping.

With fundraising winding down, no additional major fundraising will be conducted, and every effort will be made to sell all remaining inventory at the remaining events, with Ray's True Value to sell material thereafter, through end of December 2013.

Committee members were asked to present any names of individuals or families who they feel need to be recognized for special donations or contributions.

Bill noted that with several major events remaining and short window, it is important to have strong participation at each meeting so that everything can be completed and closure put to the committee over the next year.

Media Committee

No report presented by Paul, but Jeff reported he is in the process of doing a 30-second public-service announcement pertaining to public participation and volunteers for the parade on June 23, and he has some people to help with that. It will air on local cable TV.

Events Committee

Mary Lou reported that the April 6 bicentennial ball has sold out, and there is a waiting list of 33 people, with a possible 18 spots that may open up.

Bill said parade preparation is going well. All contracts and purchase orders are in place; two participants have dropped out, but others are on board and all preparations are on target. Advertisements for float participation will be in Millbury-Sutton Chronicle soon. Forms are on Facebook and the MBC website.

Cyndi said submissions for the film festival are due by May 13, and festival is June 10. All preparations are going well.

Golf tournament is May 19, and preparations are going well for that.

Meeting of ball committee is on March 7.

Peg reported banners for parade are at Sign-o-Rama, and will be cleaned, new logos applied, etc. Half payment on that invoice will be processed and approved.

History Committee

West Millbury tours are resuming this Saturday, weather-dependent.

Old Business

Bill moved to postpone discussion of whether to retain or return \$5,000 money provided by the town at the beginning of the MBC's existence. Motion to table by Cyndi, second by Jeff, unanimously approved.

Ecumenical service organization will resume after bicentennial ball is complete. Pastor Cliff Davis and Fr. Paul LaPalme are the clergy who appear to be most active and interested in organizing the event. There is no date set.

MBC will acknowledge \$200 donation from Silver Dollar City toward a tree of the town's choice. Bill asked that a letter be drafted to accept their offer.

Jeff reported on Legacy Committee meetings. Information on other projects in Millbury Center area was collected. Several committee members have done extensive legwork on several proposals and possibilities, as to cost and design. A mission statement was read.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 3, 2013, 7 p.m. at Asa Waters Mansion.

Adjournment

Motion by Joyce, second by Jeff. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Submitted by Chris Sinacola March 12, 2013