

TOWN OF MILLBURY MINUTES

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Bicentennial Committee – Executive Committee

Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2013

Time: 6:15 p.m.

Location: Asa Water Mansion, 123 Elm Street, Millbury

Attendees

Executive Committee Members Present

Carole Chiras

Robert Morton

Chris Sinacola (nonvoting)

William Kane, Sr.

Joyce Ostrowski

Ronald Marlborough

Paul Raffa

Executive Committee Members Absent

Roger Desrosiers

Minutes

Minutes of April 3, 2013 executive committee were unanimously approved with no discussion.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce reported a balance of \$206,794.76. Bill noted that the Bicentennial Ball was a big success, and came in about \$7,000 under budget. Joyce noted various payments were made, for signage, flyers, and expenses related to the town birthday party in June.

Finance Report: Rob noted that all capital campaign pledged funds are in. A motion for \$3,000 for the ecumenical service was made by Ron, seconded by Carole, and approved with no discussion.

Media Report: Paul noted that the email address on the website is now inoperative.

Events Report: There was a short discussion of the ball, with agreement that it went very well. Roland Lachance and Joseph Bianculli have been notified they are co-grand marshals of the bicentennial parade. Parade preparations are well under way, and planning meetings at St. Brigid's Church Hall on May 8, 22 and 29. Students in the Millbury High School culinary arts program will be making cakes for the birthday party.

Old Business: Safety Committee has been meeting. There will be no parking on Waters and Grove streets during the parade, and discussions with parade participants will be held regarding safety and possibility of tractor-trailer units making sharp left from Grove onto Waters, failing which, an alternate route will be established.

Paul asked for names of all committee and subcommittee members so that he can put together a complete and accurate program to commemorative the MBC.

New Business: Brief discussion of a DVD or CD to chronicle the ball. It was agreed that there is not sufficient demand to justify producing such a product, but that one can be produced if there are requests. Edd Cote attended the meeting and noted that in his view, since no one offered to pay the costs of photographers to produce material for the MBC, it was “absolutely wrong on principle” for the MBC to charge people for photos. Ron agreed. The committee reached consensus that no such charges would be assessed on any DVDs/CDs that might be produced.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m. on a motion by Joyce, seconded by Ron.

Next meeting slated for 6:15 p.m. June 5 at Asa Waters Mansion.

Submitted by
Chris Sinacola
May 2, 2013