TOWN OF MILLBURY MINUTES

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Bicentennial Committee – Executive Committee

Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2013 **Time**: 6:15 p.m.

Location: Asa Water Mansion, 123 Elm Street, Millbury

Attendees		
Carole Chiras	Robert Morton	Chris Sinacola (clerk, non-
Roger Desrosiers	Joyce Ostrowski	voting)
William Kane, Sr.	Paul Raffa	
Jeff Dore (non-voting)		

Absent: Ron Marlborough

Minutes of March meeting

Motion by Joyce to accept, with correction of one typo. Seconded by Carole. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Joyce presented vouchers from IBA \$40, Staples \$13.78, beads through MyCape, MyTown Designs \$80. Bill presented three invoices related to the bicentennial ball, Jacob Alger, pianist; gobo \$568.45; three cases of glass candle holders from Gloria Wales.

Joyce noted that MBC balance is \$234,714.56.

Report acceptance moved by Rob, seconded by Carole, unanimously approved.

Finance/Fundraising Committee report

Rob said one Vaillancourt Santa has been allocated to the golf tournament as a raffle item. Finance/Fundraising Committee is making formal recommendation that the \$5,000 seed money provided to MBC by Town Meeting by returned to the town, in consideration of the surplus funds raised by the MBC.

Prices on tee-shirts, hats and Vaillancourt Santas have been reduced, in consideration of overstock. Other items are still available in small amounts, and no further orders are planned.

Fundraising thermometer will be capped off to show 100 percent funds raised, a sign thanking Millbury residents will be added, and the tower/thermometer display will be removed from Millbury National Bank property in July, and will be considered surplus town property until it is disposed of by raffle or some other method.

Roger said signage for entry points into town is proceeding. Budget is \$2,400, but there is \$400 cushion in case some rods need to be purchased.

Media Committee

Paul reported that without his permission or consent, Cyndi Papia signficantly edited the MBC website, redesigning the template, background, etc. He is seeking the committee's guidance on how to proceed. Short discussion ensued, consensus of which was that the MBC appreciated Cindy's donated labor, but suggested Paul speak to Cindy and ask her, on behalf of

the MBC, not to make further design changes without permission. The logo will be changed back to what it was before, but the committee felt it was not necessary to make too much of an issue of this

Events Committee report

Final preparations for bicentennial ball are under way.

Meeting held for ecumenical service. St. Brigid, First Congregational and Millbury Federated churches are actively participating. Date TBA, service to be held at St. Brigid, which best meets requirements for parking, accessibility and capacity.

Parade preparations are continuing. Article sent to Millbury-Sutton Chronicle. Fireworks display will be behind Cordis Mills.

History Committee

Carole said one final history tour of West Millbury will be held in September for those who were on the waiting list and unable to attend any of the previous tours. No further reservations for these tours will be taken. Brochures for the tour are available at Town Hall for those who wish to take a self-guided history tour.

Old business

Roger is seeking an additional appropriation in order to buy a nicer tree as part of the funding from Silver Dollar City. Bill suggested something in the range of \$600 would purchase a nice tree. Rob moved an additional allocation of \$500 to add to the \$200 donation from Silver Dollar City for a tree. Bill suggested just adding the \$500 to the birthday party budget, and so moved. Second by Rob. Unanimously approved.

New business

Recommendation needed from executive committee as to whether the \$5,000 seed money should be kept or returned. Rob moved that the money be returned, Joyce second. Ron noted that he had at a previous meeting that he had opposed the return of the \$5,000, but following a conversation with Town Manager Bob Spain, he has had a change of heart and now favors returning the money. Vote was unanimous to return the money.

Motion to adjourn by Joyce, second by Rob, unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

Submitted by Chris Sinacola April 4, 2013