

# TOWN OF MILLBURY MINUTES

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## Bicentennial Committee – Executive Committee

**Date:** Wednesday, May 2, 2012

**Time:** 6:15 p.m.

**Location:** Asa Water Mansion, 123 Elm Street, Millbury

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### Attendees

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#### Executive Committee Members Present

Carole Chiras

Ronald Marlborough

Christopher Sinacola

Roger Desrosiers

Robert Morton

William Kane, Sr.

Paul Raffa

#### Executive Committee Members Absent

Joyce Ostrowski

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### Minutes

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#### I. Approval of minutes

Minutes of April 4 meeting approved, with deletion of stray “to discu” text below “Other” on page 2. Unanimously approved.

II. Treasurer’s report. None at this time, as Joyce is absent.

#### III. Updates

Roger and Bill met with Board of Selectmen and gave them a general update, including the finances, of the Millbury Bicentennial Committee. Selectmen were very pleased.

Bill met with Safety Personnel Committee, and that went well.

Roger and Bill attended Disability Committee meeting. Committee sent MBC a letter outlining concerns about making sure all events were accessible to the handicapped. The MBC will make certain that all events are accessible to the handicapped, and that appropriate transportation is available. Committee was satisfied. Bill made clear that MBC will not be holding or sponsoring any events at the Asa Waters Mansion that would require visitors to access the second floor.

#### IV. Committee Reports

##### Finance/Fundraising

Approval of various vouchers for miscellaneous expenses, including for banner artwork and production; thermometer progress update for center of town will be done soon and will reflect \$250,000 raised; Vaillancourt folk art sales are going well; framed print of Millbury map with inset photos will be available at \$60, and Millbury, Massachusetts 1813-2013 wooden sign

will be available (in four different colors) at \$15. Next Finance/Fundraising committee meeting will be on June 6.

Motion by Carole Chiras, seconded by Paul Raffa, to appropriate \$760 for copies of framed map with photos, and \$224 for Millbury town signboards. Unanimously approved.

Roger noted that Karen Gagliardi had ordered 10 reprint copies of the Centennial History, and will continue to work on handling orders of the book.

Paul spoke with the [thedailymillbury.com](http://thedailymillbury.com), and they asked how they could become an event sponsor. Rob suggested to Paul that it might be problematic to have event sponsors in light of the capital donations of some \$200,000 to date. However, the committee felt it would be OK for them or others to sponsor particular portions of events. Committee has to be careful not to set a precedent by allowing sponsorship of events that would undercut the contributions of donors who participated in the capital campaign.

#### **Media Committee**

Brochures and advertising for symphony concert is complete. Paul and Bill discussed mailing and publicity for the event, which will be on June 16.

Paul said that he would get to updating the website next week.

#### **Events Committee**

Ron contacted various drum and bugle corps for possible participation in the parade, and obtained quotes from them. Some have committed to the event, others are possible.

Short discussion of whether and how politicians can be invited to the bicentennial ball.

#### **History Committee**

Carole will be preparing brochure for history tour.

Chris made a motion for the purchase of 500 copies of "Images of America: Millbury," to be published by Arcadia. Motion seconded by Ron. Unanimously approved.

Next meeting, Wednesday, June 6, 2012, 6:15 p.m., Asa Waters Mansion.

Motion by Paul to adjourn, seconded by Ron. Unanimously approved. Adjournment at 7:04 p.m.

Submitted by  
Chris Sinacola  
May 4, 2012