250th TOWN ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE



MEETING MINUTES for

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

MEMBERS

PRESENT:	Virginia Simms George (Chair), Thomas Lowe (Vice-Chair), Dale Rains (Treasurer), Norm Corbin
	(Clerk), Amelia Graham, Cathy McAuliffe, David Carlson,
ABSENT:	Robert Marchetta, Lorna Helms
OTHERS:	Andy Dowd, Dawn Rand (Selectman), Bill Pantazis (Selectman),

Meeting called to order: 5:30pm.

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes for February 23, 2016 were accepted.

- Chairman Update:
 - There will be a Warrant Article at Town meeting requesting \$20k to support 250th activities
 - The Quilt will be shown at Town Meeting

• <u>Finance Committee & Fundraising</u>

- o Dale, Virginia and Lorna met to review status
- Received \$1000 from the Youth Football and Cheerleaders Association
- Cookbook:
 - Still looking for more recipies.
 - They are considering historic photo's to be used in the book
- o 2016 Golf Tournament: Cancelled
- *Commemorative Plates:* They were delivered and are with Andy in Town Hall. Norm was thanked for his efforts. The final invoice was sent to Dale for payment.
- **Publicity& Marketing:**
 - Five or six 250th Banners still need to be installed. A corrected banner for Northboro Oil was installed.
- <u>Town Sponsored Events Status:</u>
 - Town History Tour (May 15, 2016) -
 - It was decided that the History Tours will be free.
 - 5K Road Race (May 21, 2016) -
 - 14 runners have already signed up
 - Family Game Day (August 14, 2016)-
 - There will be a meeting on April 5th with the Recreation Commission to review plans
 - o Pre-Fireworks (September 17, 2016)- No Report
 - Applefest Parade Participation (September 18, 2016)
 - <u>All</u> questions regarding Applefest need to be forwarded to Michelle Gillespie either via their website <u>http://www.northboroughapplefest.com/</u> or calling her.
 - Our agreement with Applefest is that the 250th Committee will incur the extra cost associated with this larger parade that is celebrating the 250th.
 - Tom noted there could be a \$1000 request to bus student bands from local town schools
 - There was some discussion regarding inviting other bands like the Shriners. No decision made
 - A woman in town has offered the use of her red convertible
 - Cemetery Tour (September 24, 2016)
 - Virginia, Dawn, Bill and Amy have volunteered to help out on this event
 - Norm will review this event with the Cemetery Commission
 - Masquerade Event (October 29, 2016)-
 - Linda Abusamra will be coordinating this event
 - Guest Speaker (No Date selected)- No Report

o "Hidden History: Discover Northborough's Past" (previously called "Historic Scavenger Hunt"

- 50 historical sites will be identified throughout Northborough with temporary markers
- This will be an Eagle Scout Project run by Carter Brannon
- Carter will have a team of scouts working with him and will be soliciting materials and funding for this effort.
- The markers are expected to be up Late Spring to Early Fall
- We are looking for someone with website experience to support this project

• <u>Community & Civic Organization & Other Participation</u>:

- Requests for 250th Committee Funding:
 - The <u>Unitarian Church</u> is requesting \$500 to help pay for the music at their free 250th outdoor concert. Tom made the motion and Cathy 2nd, the motion passed
 - <u>Public Schools</u> are requesting \$200 to help pay for busing children as part of a 250th school event. Virginia will follow-up with them for more details.

• Other Events:

- The Senior Center is Sponsoring:
 - Historic walks with guides as part of their 10:00am Thursday walking club
 - "Celebrating Northborough's Past & Present A Series of Historical Presentations" by Gary Hylander PhD

Next Meeting is April 5th

Adjournment: 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted, Normand Corbin Clerk, 250th Anniversary Committee