Northborough 250th Anniversary Committee

Minutes of Meeting

Monday, November 28, 2016

Members Present: Virginia Simms George (Chair), Tom Lowe (Vice-Chair), Dale Rains (Treasurer), Lorna Helms, Bob Marchetta, Cathy McAuliffe, Dave Carlson

Absent: Norm Corbin (Clerk), Amy Graham, Diane Wackell (Executive Assistant), Dawn Rand (Selectman)

Others Present: Andy Dowd (Town Clerk), Bill Pantazis (Selectman)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Minutes from the meeting of Tuesday, October 25, 2016 were accepted as written.

The Committee Thank You dinner held at Romaine's on Sunday, November 13, 2016 was enjoyed and appreciated by all who attended.

<u>Support Teams:</u> Virginia would like to thank all the volunteers who helped and supported the various sub-committees who assisted with the many events that this committee managed during the past year. All volunteers should be recognized and thanked by having their names put onto the 250th Anniversary Committee website, or into a newspaper ad. In addition, each volunteer should receive a gift, such as a commemorative plate. This was approved by common consensus of the committee.

<u>Banners and Signs:</u> It was suggested that the committee purchase "Welcome to Northborough" banners to place on poles around our town. Lorna volunteered to work to get the banners created. We should need about 55.

Motion: Bob moved that we spend the money to purchase "Welcome to Northborough" banners to place on poles in town. The motion was seconded by Lorna. The vote was unanimous.

Bob suggested purchasing a small stone monument commemorating Northborough's 250th Anniversary. Bob also volunteered to work with the Board of Selectmen to find prices for such a monument. Lorna suggested that the Board of Selectmen choose the place for the monument.

We would also like to replace the signs at the town entrances.

<u>Lights:</u> The DPW has asked that the 250th Anniversary Committee purchase new lights for the Ellsworth Christmas Tree.

Motion: Tom moved that we purchase new lights for the Ellsworth Christmas Tree. The motion was seconded by Bob. The vote was unanimous.

<u>Music:</u> Tom asked for reimbursement for music that he purchased for chorus performances during the past year.

Motion: Bob moved that Tom be reimbursed \$300.00 for the purchase of music used for chorus performances during the past year. The motion was seconded by Cathy. The vote was unanimous.

<u>Applefest Expenses:</u> The Applefest Street Fair incurred extra expenses this year due to the town's 250th Anniversary.

Motion: Lorna moved that we reimburse the Rotary Club \$3,100.00 for extra expenses from this year's Applefest Street Fair. The motion was seconded by Bob. The vote was unanimous.

<u>Banners:</u> The Banners purchased by sponsors, which were taken down earlier this fall, will be returned to the sponsors by committee members.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 PM. The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 24, 2017, at 5:30 PM. The committee left to attend the Selectmen's meeting on the third floor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Carlson