

STRATHAM 300th COMMITTEE

Minutes

June 27, 2011

Members in Attendance: Jeff Hyland, John Dold, Cathy Kenny, Jim Scamman, Joyce Rowe, Pat Sapienza, Flossie Wiggin, Peter Wiggin, Susan Canada

Visitors: Caren and Jeff Gallagher, Dan Crow

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chairman Jeff Hyland.
2. **Review of the Minutes:** The minutes of the May 16 meeting were approved upon a motion by Flossie Wiggin.
3. **Treasurer's Update:** There has been no change in the Treasury (\$950 in the checkbook/\$4150 in the Town budget). There was a discussion about the method of reimbursement for purchases of items for the fair. Please submit invoices or receipts to Cathy Kenny.
4. **Town History/Craig Brandon:** The committee discussed the process of contracting Craig Brandon to write the new History of Stratham. Ed Rowan, the other candidate, needs to be contacted; Jeff Hyland will send a letter. Jeff will also meet with the Selectmen to discuss process for hiring Mr. Brandon. John Dold will continue to oversee this project.
5. **Timeline Subcommittee:** Peter Wiggin reported information regarding the participation of the Budweiser Clydesdales in the Parade and a performance by the Glenn Miller Orchestra. Peter has contacted NH Distributors, who schedule appearances by the Clydesdales. The Glenn Miller Orchestra would cost \$25,000 plus travel related expenses. There was a discussion about considering other bands to perform at a dinner dance. Jeff Gallagher offered to get some information about other groups. The Timeline Committee feels that it is time to begin organizing the Parade Committee.
6. **Stratham Fair:** a. There was a continued discussion about items to sell or give away at the Fair. The bookmarks which will be given away were displayed. In addition to a banner, the committee decided to purchase baseball hats (a motion by Joyce Rowe and seconded by Jim Scamman) and reusable grocery bags (a motion by Flossie Wiggin, seconded by Jim Scamman). Shirts with the 300th Logo will be displayed at the Fair, and order forms available. Due to the expense and variety of sizes needed, it was decided to take prepaid orders for the shirts. b. The committee discussed our participation in the "Celebrate Stratham" tent. Various Town organizations (the Library, Historical Society, Heritage Committee, Park Association & 300th Comm.) will have displays and videos about Stratham History in this tent. Tickets for the Cow Flop Contest will also be sold here. Dan Crow explained that the Park Assn. would be willing to split the proceeds with us in return for help in selling tickets. On a motion by Flossie Wiggin & seconded by Susan Canada, the Committee voted unanimously to participate. c. There was a continued discussion about the various films or DVD's of Stratham events that might be available for showing at the Fair. Caren Gallagher offered to help with suggestions about the best equipment to use.

7. **Other/ New Business:**
 - a. There was a discussion about the need for a person or subcommittee to work on publicity and communications using the Town Website, Facebook, local papers, etc. Cathy Kenny has been putting information on Facebook and will continue to work on publicity.
 - b. The committee discussed the formation of a Parade Committee. Jeff Gallagher, who organizes the Memorial Day Parade, offered many suggestions for the Parade. On a motion by Susan Canada and seconded by Joyce Rowe, the committee unanimously elected Jeff Gallagher Chair of the Parade Committee and Dan Crowe Vice Chair. They suggested Dave Emanuel to be Parade Marshall and Bob Mitchell to organize antique cars for the Parade. Members of the 300th Committee expressed their gratitude to Jeff and Dan for taking on this important role.
8. **The next meeting will be on Monday, July 18, 2011 at 6:30.**
9. **Motion to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Scamman at 9:15.