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**Wayland 375th Anniversary
Commemoration Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 10, 2011**

The Wayland 375th Anniversary Commemoration Committee met Thursday, March 10, 2011, at 7:00 PM in the Board of Selectmen's Room, 41 Cochituate Road, Wayland:

Ms. Mary Antes
Ms. Lois Davis
Ms. Lynne Dunbrack
Mr. John Dyer

The meeting was opened at 7:05 PM. There was no public comment. Mr. Dyer invited Richard Turner, Chair of the Public Ceremonies Committee, to attend.

375 Wayland Anniversary Forum

The Committee suggested the date of April 27th for The Forum and proposed the following agenda topics:

- Present an overview of the Celebration, including preliminary ideas for commemorating the Town's 375th anniversary
- Provide examples of how other communities have celebrated their anniversaries
- Brainstorm and solicit ideas from the public for a variety of events which would appeal to wide range of residents
- Describe the roles of volunteer and committees that will be necessary to successfully host a yearlong celebration.
- Next steps and Q&A

The Committee reviewed a second draft of the letter drafted by Ms. Antes to solicit input and volunteers from various Wayland organizations, and invite representatives to attend the Forum.

Ms. Davis made the motion to approve the letter, Mr. Dyer seconded it, and the letter was approved by a vote of 4 to 0. The letter will be sent to key Town employees, Town boards, committees, commissions, associations, and groups identified by the Wayland 375th Anniversary Commemoration Committee.

Dates of Celebration

The Committee confirmed the dates for celebration. The celebration will be yearlong, starting in 2013 to commemorate when Wayland was first settled in 1638 and ending in 2014 to commemorate when the Town was incorporated in 1639.

Town periods to highlight are:

- Native American (before the 1600s)
- Founding Years - Colonial Days through the Revolutionary War (1600 to 1700s)
- Agricultural / Industrial Period (1800s to 1920)
- Expansion of Wayland to Modern Days (1920 to today)

Reports from Calls to Other Communities

Ms. Davis and Mr. Dyer provided a brief synopsis of their conversations with the Chairs of the Marlborough and Needham commemorative committees respectively.

Organizing of committee

Mr. Dyer reported that Needham had co-chairs, and suggested Ms. Antes and Ms. Dunbrack might serve as co-chairs. However, the Committee deferred voting for a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary until all five members are in attendance.

Other Business

Mr. Dyer distributed an excerpt of the Town's history an unused chapter from the Veteran's Book of Remembrance, and a calendar for scheduling events.

Ms. Antes noted that a mail box would be set up in the Town's mailroom for members to receive hardcopy documents and "snail" mail.

The Board adjourned at 8:22 PM.

List of Organizations to be Invited to the 375 Wayland Anniversary Forum

1. Arts Wayland
2. Assisted Living Communities
3. Boosters
4. Boy/Girl Scouts/campfire
5. Broomstone
6. CAPA – (May have a new name, the Boosters of the Arts Group, including music)
7. Clergy Association and Interfaith Group (Ken Sawyer has a strong interest in history)
8. Conservation Commission
9. Country Clubs
10. Dudley Pond Association
11. Golden Tones
12. Great Presenters
13. Historic Society, Historic District Commission
14. Little Theatre
15. Nature Valley Photography
16. Needham had 3 photographers – one at each event with a back-up assignment
17. PTOs, other school groups,
18. Softball Organization
19. Sports Hall of Fame – athletes through the years - Boosters
20. The Wayland Depot
21. Town Boards
22. Town Clerk *
23. Town Crier
24. Town Pool
25. WayCam
26. Wayland Business Association
27. Wayland Children Association
28. Wayland Democratic Committee *
29. Wayland Garden Club
30. Wayland League of Voters
31. Wayland Public Schools Foundation
32. Wayland Republican Committee *
33. Wayland Swim and Tennis

* Mr. Dyer suggested adding these at the March 10, 2011 meeting.