

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 13, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE:

Full time Members: Kathy O. Roberts, Betsy MacDonald, Steve Spofford, Ted Trainer, Angus Macaulay

Town Liaisons: Blake Baldwin. Linda Johnson

Brick Store Museum Liaison: Cynthia Walker

January 9, 2019 Minutes accepted. Moved by Ted Trainer and seconded by Steve Spofford.

Financials:

The Board of Selectmen has voted not to give us the remaining \$25,000 which we would receive in 2020. They have had to do a lot of cutting in all areas. There was \$5,300 rolled over from the original Bicentennial Committee and that has to stay with us due to Town Charter. So at this time the Town has given us \$50,000.

Chris Cluff has been working on a preliminary budget for the event but it has not been presented to our Committee yet. We have spent \$6,000 which went for the Freed Slaves Project.

Parade:

The decision was made by the Parade Committee, with advice from Andy Belisle, to use the May Day Parade route. The parade will step off from Water Street, go north on Main Street, turn onto Dane Street, Park Street and continue onto Winter Street.

There has been discussion on judges for the floats. There should be an odd number, either 3 or 5. There has also been discussion about a Grand Marshall and everyone has been asked to think about possibilities for this role.

At this point there are 2 bands who have replied to inquiries for that day. The 195th Army Marching Band and The Alumni band out of Saco-Biddeford. Steve Spofford recommended reaching out to the Bath Municipal Band, which we will do.

Boston Cane: Ted Trainer will do research on the criteria for the awarding of the cane.

Scholarship:

Conrad and Kathy have composed the final wording etc. for the application and presented it to Linda Wiewel at the high school.

School participation:

Not sure there is enough info to put this in the minutes

Town Event Application: Will be presented to the town by our next meeting.

Map:

They have selected 20 sites in various parts of the Kennebunk including West Kennebunk, Alewife; Beach, Lower Village, Landing and Downtown and will give that info to Steve Hrehovcik. In the process of defining the size, layout, etc. as well as distribution options. Would like to push it with "History Hopper".

Artists Collaborative:

Angus and Kathy are looking into options for events on a specific day and ideas for a permanent "Artistic Installation". Ideas of tents at Rotary Park, plein air event as well.

Banners:

Angus has been in touch with Katie Mooney and that piece is all set. They have the parental releases signed and they are good to go.

Press Releases:

Some have gone out including one looking for quilters for the Bicentennial Quilt which will go to the Brick Store after the event.

Kathy Nollette is working on a web link for the Bicentennial.

Laura and Blake are working on FB option.

Block Party:

How many people??

Catering not an option.

Maybe do a buffet.

No lights across Main St. due to large trucks having to get through and lights on the trees not a viable option due to leaves on the trees.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 13th at 3:00

Submitted by Betsy MacDonald