

300th Anniversary Celebration

Minutes 21 Aug, 2019

1. Chairman Jean Methot called the meeting to order on Wed., Aug. 21, 2019, at 7:00 PM.
2. In attendance: Ed Stuart, Chris Hadik, Rhonda Lamphere, Jack Cannon, Sue Reiter, Nancy Jolin and Jean Methot.
3. Action on Minutes of June 19, 2019 meeting: Clarification was made for names of Meranda Scott and Michelle Hatch for these minutes. No further discussion. Rhonda Lamphere made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections; Chris Hadik seconded; all in favor.
4. Treasurer's Report: Rhonda Lamphere presented the current treasurer's report as of June 30, 2019, showing Revenues from Appropriations from 2013-2109 totaling \$35,000.00 plus interest of \$2,113.31, as well as revenue from last year's town fair and Christmas in the Village sales. All of this brought the revenue total to \$37,618.31. Expenses totaled \$6,303.06 as of June 30, 2019, showing Account Balance of \$31,315.25.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Coin sales - We would like to have Nancy Jolin put out more reminders on Chester Front Porch page regarding our coin sale. Coins are available through Bittersweet Blessings and the Rec Dept. (Corinna). Jean has the history of the coin design and would like Sue Reiter to put this on our website and on a board to post at Bittersweet with the coins.
 - b. School survey - it was reported that we've received nothing back so will drop this idea.
 - c. Fire Chief - The Chief said there was no interest in the fire dept. to participate in a muster. Jean will speak with him again to get a definite answer.
 - d. Spring Hill Farm event - they will be booked on our calendar of events, per Chuck Myette, for the first week of Oct. 2021.
6. New Business:
 - a. Chester Town Fair - Chris Hadik volunteered to man the booth for a half day. Sue Reiter also volunteered to help out. More volunteers needed. Jean will speak with Corinne about our spot on the grounds next week.
 - b. American Legion fair at MPR on Sat., Nov. 23rd. Again, there is no charge for our space there. Volunteers will be needed to man the booth.
 - c. Calendar of Events - We need to get this calendar set up so we can "visualize" what is planned so far, such as May 8, 2022 for the reading of the Proclamation; Sept. 2021 Chester Town Fair/parade; Spring Hill Farm, etc.. It was stated that we need a Selectman for the Proclamation Committee and a State Rep to get the new Proclamation done for us.
 - d. Other - Sue Reiter questioned if we were going to have a time capsule. We should get suggestions from residents of what they'd like to see placed in a capsule. Sue could put something on our website asking for suggestions.

Putting together a booklet for the 300th event was discussed - this would be given out, for a fee, at the March town meeting (at least 6 months in advance). Sue has offered to get this

organized as she has experience doing the town telephone book years ago, but she will need help with it.

Jean mentioned that Ed Karjala and Tim Bortz had offered in the past to help find sponsors for the 300th. Chris said he'll speak with Ed K. if he is still interested.

Having an actual "event planner" was briefly discussed - Rhonda and others have searched for one but find mostly "wedding planners". It was suggested trying large hotels that might use an event planner. Jack Cannon said he would try contacting some hotels.

Chris Hadik had spoken to Sheryl Corey (from Brookline 300th) a while back about purchasing their banner poles when they were done with them. She said they have 115 poles/brackets that they would sell us for \$45.00 each. We could re-sell them ourselves when done with them to re-coup some money. Sue Reiter made a motion to purchase 115 poles/brackets at \$45.00 each; Nancy Jolin seconded her motion; all voted in favor.

Sue Reiter asked if we were going to order ornaments and/or mugs to sell. We could have ornaments for each year leading up to 2021 in a different color with a different design from the coin on each one. Rhonda will call the company for info on the ornaments, then send it to Sue. Ed Stuart's son-in-law's company can do mugs for us..... he'll get more info and send to members. We should look into using PayPal for the purchasing of 300th souvenirs. Chris Hadik talked about having the NH logo on a souvenir license plate but not sure if that is legal.....but we could have some special design for the 300th on it.

Jean mentioned he would like to see our coin design as the "wallpaper" for our website.

Nancy Jolin discussed with the members how they would like their "addresses" shown for 300th e-mail - using "firstnamelastinitial@Chester300" or "firstinitiallastname@Chester300". Most preferred the first choice.

7. At 8:20 PM Rhonda Lamphere made a motion for the Executive Committee to go into Non-Public Session (RSA 91-A:3, II(c)); motion seconded by Nancy Jolin; all members voted to close for Non-Public Session.

At 8:27 PM Jean Methot made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session; Rhonda Lamphere seconded; all voted yes in agreement.

Rhonda Lamphere made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Chris Hadik seconded the motion; all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Pepper
Secretary