



375th Anniversary Celebration Committee November 8, 2017

Call to Order

A meeting of the 375th Anniversary Celebration Committee was held at the COA, 55 Bay State Road, on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 and commenced at 7:02 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Chairman – Mike Costello, Clerk-Kathleen J. Conti, Kenneth Abrams, Kim Fagundes, Cheryl Gouveia, Jean Grotta, Douglas Kelley, Cynthia Lee, Sandra Moesing, Joseph Nunes, Sandra Phillips, Laura Schwall and Connie Wenzel-Jordan

Guests Present: Rehoboth Selectman-Gerry Schwall, John Carr of the Historical Commission

APPROVAL OF MINUTES





Motion: Joseph Nunes made the motion to accept minutes of October 25, 2017

Motion 2nd: Connie Wenzel-Jordan

375th Account Funds: Cheryl Gouveia reported that the 375th Committee has \$7,181.55 in account.

QUICK DISCUSSIONS

- Mike Costello thanked Doug Kelley for speaking at the Town Meeting which approved the request for \$50,000 for seed money for the 375th Committee (which will be paid back to the Town). Now we are ready to go forward. We have to make sure we fundraise to the end and that the Committee will not dissolve its fundraising efforts until the money is paid back to the Town.

-  Gerry Schwall – We should know what we would net from events. Put structure together for budget. The town will pay for Police/Fire, which will be worked into their respective budgets. Mike Costello agreed we should figure out how much each event might bring.
-  Jean Grota suggested a letter to get help from Bristol County Savings Bank. Jean will send letter.
-  Jake Kramer discussed selling shirts at the Bristol County Savings Bank on November 18th.
-  Laura Schwall will add concrete dates for events to the town census but needs the information by the end of November.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Ken Abrams thinks that the Golf Tournament should be between \$7,000 to \$8,000 profit. Moving forward but needs location for playoff.

PARADE

Connie Wenzel-Jordan brought up the date for the parade. Doug Kelley suggested we leave the date – we get what we get.

Military Bands – Kevin McBride will help us out with that. Doug will call Kevin.

Connie asked if we should bring down parade budget. We should think about it.

Cost of transportation? Joe Nunes brought up that Woonsocket is probably the furthest. Doug and Jean will coordinate. Connie thinks that stars of the parade should be the DR Band. They should be premiere band.

Mike Costello discussed advertising parade correctly so people will come from beyond Rehoboth. Mike also said he has offers of floats and antique cars. Mike wants this to be most impressive and best parade possible with the money we have to spend. Possibly have businesses parade, i.e., floats. Everything should go through Doug and Jean. Jake feels he can get a lot of commitments.

Jean Grota – Everyone should fill out an application to be in the parade. She will make up an application and email it, modifying application for bands.

Jake Kramer will get military vehicles. He also stated that the Boy Scouts are already on board. He also asked the start time for the October 7th parade. We will decide at the next meeting.

Fire Chief Frank Barresi and Police Chief James Trombetta need parade details.

Gerry Schwall – Committee needs to decide what they want for the money.

BALL

Kelly Hathaway is helping with the Ball by doing ticket sales. Working on order form by color coding, i.e. Red Ticket-Beef, Orange Ticket-Veggie, Blue Ticket-Chicken.

Sheila Bouchard has offered services for Center Pieces. Sponsors will pay \$100.

Bands for Ball – John Ferreira (Firefighter) band, Rhythm 44, are available for \$300. Whole night \$400. David House plays 1500's through 1800's music – for cocktail hour and dinner

Motion: Cheryl Gouveia to hire Rhythm 44

Motion 2nd: Kathleen Conti

HOUSE TOURS

Sandra Moesing is working with the Historical Commission. She has five confirmed homes and wants to include Hornbine School and Carpenter Museum.

Cathy Potter asked if town insurance covers homes and was told yes. Helen Dennen is working with Backlund Insurance and they will insure us properly.

GRAND MARSHAL

Connie Wenzel-Jordan received message from Luke Travis who suggested that Phil Travis could be Grand Marshal. Mike Costello suggested Goff or Carpenter family be Grand Marshals. He feels as though the Goff and Carpenter families would be better representatives. Joseph Nunes suggested there could be a plaque of when family(s) came to town.

Connie-Wenzel Jordan suggested a float of all early families.

KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL

Abby Abrahamson is setting up emailing for people to join subcommittee.

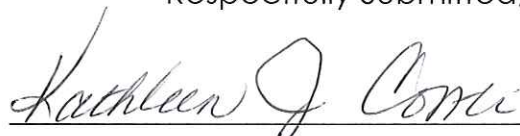
RE-ENACTMENT

Cathy Potter/John Carr discussed Minute Men and having Nike Park as site. It could involve King Philip Ware to start reenactment and tell history of time period. Civil War Era Band to play. Make it free and open to public. Might need a porta john from the town. Might also need a battery-operated mike. Mike Costello suggested that the Highway Department could do fire pits. Permission is needed by Park Commission. The date of September 22nd was suggested. Cathy Potter will send a letter to the Park Commission to use Nike Park for that date.

SPAGHETTI DINNER


Jake Kramer – Sons of American Legion will run spaghetti dinner on March 1st from 4 to 6:30 and the proceeds will be donated. The Legion won't charge for the hall.

Respectfully Submitted,


Kathleen J. Conti - Clerk

Meeting Minutes Approved: Date: November 29, 2017 Time: 7:10 PM

Signature of 375th Anniversary Celebration Committee Chairman
after minutes have been approved:


Michael R. Costello – Chairman

**OUT NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2017
COA, 55 BAY STATE ROAD**