

FINAL MINUTES
TRICENTENNIAL MEETING
5/02/2022

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

Present: Ed Beattie, Kathy Dittami, Judy Haskell, Linda Keene, Glenn Johnson, Gisela Manna, Karen Moura, Susan Porcelli, Linda Savoy, Ward Dilmore

Approval of April, 2022 draft minutes: Unanimous

Glenn Johnson wanted to go on record as having abstained from the April meeting Co-chair vote because he was displeased in the way it was introduced, but not with the choice of co-chairs.

Treasurer's Report: \$9400.06 in checking account (operating funds) An additional \$115.00 was earned in sale of Tricentennial merchandise.

UPDATES FROM April 4, 2022 meeting

Gisela and Linda reviewed and solicited information needed for the first "Save the Date" postcard. It was clarified that ticketed events will go through the HF Historical Society

The Opening Ceremony on the Common will begin around 2 pm on Sunday, July 31st. The Fife and Drum program will run for approximately 55 minutes, and a PA system needs to be rented.

Fliers for the Home Run Derby have been distributed. Prices for lawn signs for "If This House Could Talk", and V-banners to display on the Common with the Tricentennial week dates need to be priced and approved by the Committee before Gisela and Linda can fill out the form to submit those costs to the Selectmen. Gisela has spoken with local businesses about marking their history in Hampton Falls in a Tricentennial Week brochure and is waiting for a price.

Discussion about whether the Tricentennial Committee should pay for the Thursday concert at the Bandstand continued and the Co-chairs will need to schedule a separate meeting with the Bandstand Committee before a motion is made.

Parade Update: Ward Dilmore said that the Clydesdales will arrive at the Common at 12 pm on Saturday, August 6th. Security is being overseen by John Ringel. The parade permit originally filed with Rob Dirsra went undiscovered for a while but Chief Veno has attended to it. In the meantime, Road closure permit and final word from the Navy Band are pending. A group from Exeter who call themselves "Vikings" have volunteered to follow the horses to collect any excrement.

Publishing Update: Ed had no further update from the publisher, but anticipates a late-July arrival. The Tricentennial Committee suggested a purchase price of \$40.00 per copy . The Committee still needs to decide on the number of complimentary copies to be given and the logistics of book sales/storage. Tracy Healey-Beattie is working to coordinate a signing event with Colin Garcia for the week of the celebration.

Event Planning Updates:

Photography: not at this time

Volunteers from WHS for Tricentennial Week and Kids Camp: pending

The Great Uncasking: Tickets to go on sale in May

In Vino Veritas: proceeding as planned

HF Historical Society told the Tricentennial Committee about the unveiling of the 300th Anniversary stained glass window.

Kids subcommittee update:

Looking to rent a tent for Kids Day with a company in Haverhill, MA to provide shade and protect the animals. Ideally would have tent installed on Thursday and keep it up through Saturday for closing ceremonies.

The LAS Summer Camp kids and counselors will participate in Kids Day

Essay contest will be extended a couple of weeks for more entries

The Tricentennial Time Capsule will be on display in the HF Library foyer prior to its burial.

The Tricentennial commemorative tree will be planted in a spot between the HF Library and Fire Station, possibly before the Tuesday barbecue. The plaque honoring Ann G Haggart will be ready at that time

Bunting for Town Buildings, e.g. Safety Building, Town Hall and the Gazebo needs to be found and/or purchased

The next Tercentennial working session will be Tuesday, May 17th at 6:30 pm

Motion to adjourn: 8:10 (Savoy/Porcelli) Unanimous

Next Meeting: Monday, June 6, 2022, at the Town Hall at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Haskell, Co-Secretary
Tricentennial Committee