

ASHLAND NH 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE
(AKA ASHLAND NH SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE)
Minutes of Meeting: April 17, 2018 at Elaine Hughes Real Estate Office,
116 Main Street, Ashland

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by Chair Jane Sawyer. The following members of the Committee were present:

Chair	Jane Sawyer
Vice Chair	Kendall Hughes
Treasurer	Bob Baker

Jeanette Stewart was absent with notice. Hailey Crowley and John Harville were also present.

Upon motion of Bob and seconded by Kendall, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the meeting held March 27, 2018 be approved.

Except for the banner checks, no other correspondence has yet been received.

The treasurer report as submitted by Bob was accepted for audit.

We reviewed the current inventory of souvenir items and decided to order 30 more pictorial books. Will check our supplies again after Memorial Day weekend and see if any other ones should be ordered.

Jane advised that she attended the monthly meeting of the Board of Electric Commissioners and they did agree to assist with installing the utility pole banners. Steve Foley had also done a count of the number of existing ones for us and will advise if any brackets are needed. Jane will do reminder letters to those who have reserved one, but not paid and then will get a list to Jae Demers to start printing the ones who have paid. Kendall will deliver the invoice to Ashland House of Pizza for their banner.

We agreed to complete the design for the ceramic plate and then start presales so we will have enough to cover the cost of a minimum order which is 144.

After reviewing the information presented as to the printing of the commemorative book by Venture Print with Jane's niece, Sally Lyford, doing all of the formatting, upon motion of Bob and seconded by Kendall it was

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VOTED: That we proceed with Venture Print and start marketing the book, charging:

\$750 each for the pages in the middle
\$500 full page
\$250 half page
\$125 1/4 page
\$ 25 1/8 page
\$ 10 for 1 line greeting

We will also start taking pictures of the various town departments and boards to include in the book along with our event schedule, brief description of the various events, etc.

Jane presented the most recent draft of the postmark which has been presented to the US Post Office.

Jane attended the recent Heritage Commission meeting and based on their vote that it will be July 1, at the Holderness Science Center and that there will be no financial or other fundraising from local businesses, she has advised the Board of Selectmen that we have no objection to it proceeding.

Dan Uhlman has agreed to make the platform for the group at the street dance and then to be used at the day in the park for the Irish and other dances in front of the gazebo.

Mr. Adamsky has agreed to letting us use his building for filming and the reviewing stand. Jane has sent letters to the proposed judges: Fran Wendleboe, Jill White and Omer Ahern. Letters of invitation have also been sent to the Holderness Board of Selectmen; Governor Chris Sununu; Councilor Joseph D. Kenney; Robert Hull, Representative, District 9; Vincent Paul Migliore, Representative, District 9; Stephen Darrow, Representative, District 17 and Bob J. Giuda, Senate, District 2. Jane presented an invite to the Board of Selectmen at their meeting yesterday, however there were a number of concerns as to its legality so it is being submitted to town counsel for review. In addition to the registration form, the parade rules as well as the award categories have been completed and posted on our town site. Jane has a call into the NHDOT, District 3, about removing the dead trees in the island where the horse trough is. Kendall advised that there is confusion as to who

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has the rights to those trees.

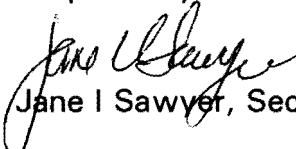
It was decided to request the Historical Society for help with painting the gazebo that is in the ballpark. It otherwise appears in good shape. We will need to explore some lights for the gazebo. Discussed whether to proceed with the beard contest and it was decided to keep it. There as discussion about whether the skillet toss should be an event for men and women, was it too dangerous, what would it do to the turf, etc. We decided not to proceed with a skillet toss. Need to come up with someway of selecting the king and queen of the 150! Jane has done letters to all of the organizations about not doing the BBQ and that each could have their own concession. She has met with some groups and will meet with the rest hopefully over the next month. We discussed the possibility of AARA or another group helping with the parking for the day in the park with the funds going towards the new playground equipment. We will review the 4th of July hitlist of chores so we can mirror them for our event.

Because of concerns expressed by Kathleen DeWolfe at last night's Board of Selectmen meeting about whether Riverwalk Park had certain restrictions which had to be complied with before anything could be done there, etc., upon motion of Kendall, seconded by Bob, it was

VOTED: To not proceed with the Riverwalk plans, but explore a granite bench at the L W Packard ballfield instead.

There being nothing further to come before the meeting it was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Jane I Sawyer, Secretary Pro Temp