

ASHLAND NH 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE
(AKA ASHLAND NH SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE)
Minutes of Meeting: August 26, 2014 at 6:05 pm, Ashland Railroad Station

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by Vice Chair Katie Maher. The following members of the Committee were present:

Vice Chair	Katie Maher
Secretary	Jane Sawyer
Finance	Bob Baker
Corresponding Secretary	Susan MacLeod
Common Man Rep.	Alisha Wendleboe

Also present: David Ruell, Ashland Historical Society; Caroline Gosse and Sherrie Downing.

Upon motion of Susan MacLeod and seconded by Bob Baker, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the meeting held July 22, 2014, be approved as submitted by Jane Sawyer, Secretary.

No correspondence has yet been received.

Bob Baker, as Finance Officer/Treasurer advised that we currently have \$800 in the checking account and that checks and a deposit stamp have been ordered for the account. He also confirmed that thank you letters had been sent to all donors to date.

Alisha Wendleboe is the last member which needs to stop by the town office to complete her membership to the Committee.

Then discussed the community get together to be on 9/14/14 at the Ashland RR from 2 to 5 pm.

Bob and Jane will put up the banner at the ballpark by this weekend. Katie confirmed that press releases were sent to local papers and TV, it was decided to resend a smaller announcement including something in the Ashland "Talk of the Town" and to Paul Branscombe for release as a Town Blast. 20 Posters done by Jacki Fouts Taylor were delivered by Jane and distributed to various members for placement in locations around town, including the 2 senior centers, kiosks, town office, library, PO, Common Man, etc. Then viewed the outside area to determine where to place the tent and porta potty. Decided we would keep parking on the front towards the road and the tent, etc. in the back. We decided anyone on the Committee who has tents, coolers, tables, etc. should bring them in case we need them. It was agreed that the Mason brothers may put up the library tent whenever

they prefer. There are 4 large and 3 small tables at the station which we can use as well as about 24 chairs. We will do remaining set up on that day beginning at noon, some will arrive earlier. We then discussed a proposed handout and Katie will have more copies made of her initial flyer. Jane will do up a sign up sheet and Katie will bring large sheets for placement on the white boards which are at the Whipple House. Bob, Jane and David will transport the boards and more chairs from the Whipple House on Saturday. Jane showed the personalized napkins, pencils and water bottles which she has for the event. We are planning for 100. Decided no door prizes or 50/50, strictly social event. Decided to also keep the kids events simple. Alisha offered to bring at least one kid's game if the weather is good.

Jane advised that she has made contact with Sandy Ray who will provide a "donation form" for use by a representative of the Ashland Historical Society when receiving any items or materials. Katie will investigate a possible scanner for copying pictures at the event in case Kendall is unable to provide as previously indicated. Jane has ordered one porta potty and will advise when it is confirmed as well as the amount.

Jane has black tablecloths which she will bring and will purchase white napkins, plates/bowls, silverware and hot/cold cups and cookies. Alisha confirmed that the Common Man will furnish sandwiches, chips and pickles for about 75. Jane and Bob will provide lemonade and coffee set up.

We again reviewed the organization list and divided up those which Kendall was to contact since he was unable to confirm if he had been able to at this point.

Bob and Jane offered to work with David from the Ashland Historical Society for the October presentation on the 100th, 125th and proposed 150th celebrations. More will be discussed at our September 23 meeting.

Jane confirmed that Carol Currier was agreeable to use of her fields by the town well for a Revolutionary War reenactment, if the Town would allow it. The Town Water Dept. has advised that the fields can be used for this purpose. Jane and Bob hope to meet the individuals involved in the 1st New Hampshire Regiment (Craig Fogg) to discuss further. They are scheduled for an event at Fort No. 4 in Charleston, NH, the weekend of September 20 and 21.

Jane has been in contact with the NH DMV who have advised that the Ashland

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Board of Selectmen does the initial request to the Director for a special plate and once it is approved we then work with the company who makes the plate as to the style, logo and they will advise as to the cost. We are then able to sell them for whatever price we determine. They must be purchased by Ashland residents only, be displayed as the front plate only and may be used only from January 1 to December 31 in 2018. Jane will do a formal request to the Board of Selectmen in this regard with the required information.

Since Kendall was not present at the meeting there was no update on the video project.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26 at 6 pm again at the Ashland Railroad Station. It was noted that the Historical Society has a program at the old Ashland school at 7 pm the same night so this will have to be a brief meeting to update members.

On motion of Jane Sawyer and seconded by Bob Baker it was voted to adjourn at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane I Sawyer, Secretary