ASHLAND 150TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017 ASHLAND RAILROAD STATION

Chairman, Jane Sawyer called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Present Bob Baker, Caroline Gosse, Jane Sawyer, Kendall Hughes and Jeanette Stewart.

Jane Sawyer made the motion to accept the minutes with changes, seconded by Kendall Hughes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was accepted for audit. We made \$1,289.95 on the Town Wide Yard Sale which included a \$500 donation from Roy Wheeler of Laconia. A thank you note has been sent to him. It was agreed to reduce the price for the mugs to \$10

The license plates have been received. Motion was made by Bob Baker to charge \$20 each for the license plates. Seconded by Kendall Hughes. Motion carried.

Caroline Gosse made the motion to buy 50 of the 2018 calendars containing black and white pictures of places in Town which are gone or have changed as designed by Jane to be sold for \$10 each. Seconded by Bob Baker. Motion carried.

The banners for the utility poles were discussed. We will put the banners out to bid for a second quote as requested by the Board of Selectmen once we have the final design. Jane has discussed possible placement locations for the banners with Craig Moore, on behalf of the DPW. He felt any utility pole could be fitted with the brackets and a banner. Jeanette will check with Glen at Rand's Hardware for prices for brackets.

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Kendall Hughes made motion not to sell items Columbus Day Weekend, seconded by Bob Baker. Motion carried.

Jane will do the annual write up including a listing of events for in the town report. She will also ask the Board of Selectmen if the 150th Logo can be put on the cover of town report for next year.

Jane is still working on a meeting with John Glidden and David Paquette as to the monument for the "Packard Bell". She has confirmed this with Craig Moore of the DPW and has reached out to Mark Liebert as an expert arborist to view the Riverwalk Park site and make recommendations.

Once the shipping materials have been received, the order form will be amended to include the mug, ornament, pen, etc. and their shipping costs. Jane will check into license plate holders. Starting Oct 1, 2017 we will sell the license plates with a note attached as to the legal use of them. These will only be sold through Elaine Hughes Real Estate or by mail order at this time.

The new order form will be delivered to the town library. Fran's Ceramics and Elaine Hughes Real Estate, will have the pictorial books, mugs, pens and ornaments for sale. Jeanette will handle collecting funds and distributing materials to Fran's Ceramics. Jane will see if the Common Man Store will be willing to sell them as well.

We then reviewed an initial basic budget as prepared by Bob and Jane as to anticipated income from the various items less the cost

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of them and including donations. Jane will complete the application and required attachments requesting \$5,000 from the Meredith Village Savings fund and circulate for review by the Committee before submitting it. The application is due by October 15.

Jane will prepare and forward a proposed press release for review as well.

Motion was made by Kendall Hughes and Seconded by Caroline Gosse to reimburse Jane Sawyer \$85 for the money she spent out of her own money as evidenced by written bills for Civil War Ball DVDs for the dance instruction and the band. Motion carried. Hobo has confirmed that the cost for the train to make one trip to Plymouth and back to Ashland which can carry 240 passengers will be \$6200.

It was noted that many of the stones in the cemetery should be cleaned before the cemetery walks next year. It was suggested we contact the local Ask boy scouts to assist. Jane has confirmed the location of the stones for each of the characters which we will be portraying.

Decided to move the secession reenactment to Friday night, July 20.

Jane and Kendall will schedule a meeting with Ashland Elementary School as to our plans and how to include the school.

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We all talked about the ballpark events after the parade. Jane confirmed she has met with Anne Barney and she is supportive of our proposed day at the park. It was agreed to explore the possibility of a Community BBQ as suggested by Kendall with all organizations in Town being contacted to help. Granite State Cloggers have confirmed they would be glad to do a demonstration after the parade. Agreed to hire Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki, an Irish group.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette I. Stewart Secretary