## ASHLAND NH 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE (AKA ASHLAND NH SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE) Minutes of Meeting: January 22, 2015 at 6:00 pm, Ashland Fire Station

Meeting called to order at 6:06 pm by Chair Jane Sawyer. The following members of the Committee were present: Jane Sawyer, Bob Baker, Susan MacLeod Absent with notice: Katie Maher, Caroline Gosse

**Minutes of November 25, 2014**: Motion by Bob to approve as written and seconded by Susan. All in Favor.

Correspondence: Susan reported that no correspondence has yet been received.

**Treasurer's Report**: Bob submitted a report: after reimbursement to Jane and payment for the PO box, the current balance is \$479.99.

Old Business: 1. Alisha Wendelboe — still not known if she is sworn in as a member.

2. Status of license plates: Selectman Norm DeWolfe confirmed the project has Town approval;

Jane emailed DMV and printing department to establish direct contact. She will follow up to get dimensions and color options information; it was suggested to get a sample of plate to aid in working on a design, which this committee will be responsible for. Jane requested Norm find and bring the Town flag to a meeting. 3. Video Project status: No further information from Fire Explorers group since Kendall resigned. Will check in with Brad Wolff. 4. Military Marching Bands: Nothing to report. 5. Sculpture Installations: Nothing to report. 6. Other: Suggestion to look into getting banners for along Main St. for each of the theme years 2016-2018 (2019 for RR Station?). Paul Branscombe has information on cost and printer. Make to be reusable, or raffle off as fundraiser. Special postmark and stamps: Andrea at the Post Office informed Jane it takes 10 weeks to get approval for specialty postmark. More research needed on make-your-own postage stamps as well. Plates, coins, Christmas decorations: Need a design. Approach Town officials about new Town seal design?

For all 150<sup>th</sup> materials, we need a logo design—what represents Ashland? Maybe go back to historical "the center of the State" identification.

New Business: 1. & 2. Outreach to other organizations and engaging stakeholders: It was discussed that we would stick to the timeline for events leading through to 2018, and work on breaking down each event into components for various groups to take on (Jane will start on this). We can then approach groups in the spring and have some defined tasks that are within their areas of interest and expertise. For example, the civil war ball would need marketing and ticket sales; logistical tasks for booking location and set up; food and drinks; decorations; entertainment; and clean-up. 3. Solicit financial support: Continue to work with Ashland Historical Society, and have this be part of the conversation with other organizations. 4. Other: Bob mentioned that the AHS Board suggested that he speak on behalf of the Society in support of the Heritage Commission warrant at the Deliberative Session on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Our next meeting will be <u>Thursday</u>, <u>February 19 at 6 pm</u> at the Ashland Fire Station, unless otherwise notified. Motion to adjourn by Bob and seconded by Susan; so voted at 6:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

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Susan MacLeod, Secretary