

2013 January minutes

January 8, 2013

Present: Diane Philbrick, Chair, Carol Howe, Ray Cresswell, Betty Sabean, Carmelle Druchniak, Hans Rothwangl, Amanda Soares, and Guest Dick Snow.

Meeting began at 9am.

Commission made small corrections to minutes from December; Carmelle motioned to accept as amended with Carol seconding the motion. All were in favor with Amanda abstaining.

The members discussed and finalized the warrant article wording for the Smyth Memorial Building. Dick Snow also joined the discussion and expressed his views of a combined warrant. The commission voted 7 to 0 to recommend their warrant is strongly recommended to stand alone from other warrant articles and be worded as close to what the commission's wording suggestion as possible. Carmelle made the motion, Amanda seconded.

Promotion of the warrant was discussed. Carmelle would draft a flier and then email to all for review and comments. Final decisions would be made on February 5th at the next meeting. Other ideas of handouts at SB2, email chains of support, posting info on the Heritage and Town websites, and possibly the Boy Scout distribution.

Moose plate grant info was passed around to all for each member to look into and see if that may be a good idea for grant funding for the building. Also, Diane mentioned that Mary Steimans who is associated with the Cogswell Benevolent Trust is a Candia resident and seemed interested in the project. Diane would talk to her and see if there was anything that could help the project. Diane mentioned that any little bit to bring the money number down would be good, and Amanda reminded her that it wasn't to bring the number down but to return money to the general fund to reduce taxes if grant money for the library came through.

Diane mentioned about Bicentennial ads and history for the upcoming SemiQ. She brought a previous one from the first 100 years to demonstrate her idea and told the commission that they were signed up to work on the ads and the writing for the SemiQ event.

Millbook- Diane wanted to promote the Millbook that her and Jim Lindsey had spent many hours creating for the town and wasn't sure if the Town Clerk could advertise for her. Amanda mentioned that the Historical Society advertises their book from Dot Purrington at the Town Office and Chirs collects the money and she didn't see why asking Chris for the same would be a problem. Also putting something on the website was mentioned to help get the word out. Diane informed the group that the Lindsey's donated the \$500.00 to the Smyth building project and wanted to have a thank you for them. Betty Sabean offered to write the thank you for them.

Diane asked about setting up a fund or line item for people who wanted to donate to the Smyth Memorial building project, such as the 500.00 from the Lindseys. Amanda Soares stated she would talk to Cheryl Eastman and set something up similar to the Ron Thomas donation line that the Town has.

Fundraising- Nate Torrey and Sandra Whitcomb approached Diane about helping out for the library doing fundraising events. Ice cream socials were brought up as possible ideas and Diane thought partnering up with the Garden Club during their plant sale might work, but would have to check with the club. The Mason's breakfast was also mentioned as a possible place to showcase the project and collect donations.

Diane received some info from Maggie Stiers about 10 Steps to a Successful Capital Fundraising. She discussed possible ideas and projects the commission could choose to go to help with the project fundraising.

Young Historians- Diane explained Nancy Maloney has 2 individuals who would like to be involved. They would be speaking on the old schools. They would be invited to our next meeting to meet the commission.

Scenic Byways- Board of Selectmen already approved the project. Diane attended one of the meetings and found out that hardly any historical places were located on the byway map. Diane volunteered the Heritage Commission to do the historical specs for everything on the map. The byway map covers historical, recreational, and cultural.

The group filled out the NHPA grant evaluation form. NHPA asks that this be filled out for every grant after completion.

Annual Report- Diane stated she worked from last year's report and just made the necessary changes for projects and personnel. If anyone had any changes or comments let her know.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20am

Respectfully Submitted by,

Amanda Soares