

Minutes: Nelson "250" Committee

July 17, 2016

Present: Barbara Bennett, Don Bennett, John Bunce, Susan Hansel, Donna Kidd, Sam Romano, Lisa Sieverts, Karen Tolman, Bert Wingerson

Guest: Mike Hansel

Meeting convened at 3:05 PM.

Approval of minutes of 5/15/16 with exception that clarifies that \$1,600. is History Group money.

Karen showed the medallions produced by Old Hancock Glassworks. Group members were pleased! The cost for 200 was \$730, paid for from Town according to warrant article - \$3.65 per medallion. We have 50 in each of 4 colors. Bert moved that we should sell @ \$5. Motion seconded and approved.

Specific limits were discussed regarding revenue of sales. Edie Drinkwater clarified our obligations to return profit to Town. We must carefully consider wording of next year's Warrant Article for 2017 fiscal year.

The Old Home Day Committee has approved the selling of medallions and calendars at the Common during this upcoming event 8/13/16. A sale table will be manned between 9 and 12 noon. We will also have a display of pottery items created by Mike Hansel to determine interest; tallying which items and colors are most popular.

Lisa Sieverts reviewed events considered for 2017. A new proposal was discussed at length. R.P. Hale, of Concord, creates a wood block engraving and operates a colonial printing press on site. Group was interested. Karen and Bert will consider appropriate image for engraving. Hale would set up operations on July 8th. Prints, completed on site, would cost approximately \$25. to \$30. Hale would profit from sales until costs met and then split profits

with group - 60/40 - usually 35 -40 prints required to meet cost - no loss to committee if numbers not met. Lisa will request details and report back. The group approved idea of colonial dance to be held early evening 7/8. RP Hale may participate in that event also. Thus far.....activities for July 8th include printing press, Re-enactment, Town Band, Ice Cream Social, Old Library exhibit. Committee considers asking other Town groups - Fire Dept. etc. if they would be interested in food/drink booths. John will speak w/ Fire Dept. to see if they are interested - chili??

Group approved three Folklore Society events: Colonial Dance, 7/8, "Ralph Page" 1941 contra dance for May or September, November 9 & 10; Jeff Warner school program and concert. (total \$1,900) Motion to commit funds to these seconded and approved.

Apple Hill interested in event for 2017 - more information to come. "250" Committee voted to sponsor Quigley music event in Town Hall. John Bunce and Don Bennett will chat w/ John Cucchi re: mill foundation stone gift. Concerns were expressed that this donation should be accepted by Town not Committee.

Karen updated with information concerning publication for 2017 and 2017 calendar. The calendar, featuring "homesteads", is expected to be available to sell at 2016 Old Home Day.

Next Grapevine to include mention of calendar sale and pottery exhibit @ Old Home Day 2016.

Meeting adjourned: 5:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Kidd