

## Bristol Bicentennial Committee

November 7, 2018

### Meeting Minutes

Present: Lucille Keegan, Doug & Claire Moorhead, Janet Cote, Stacy Buckley, Al Blakeley, Bill Dowey, Jen Rosene (NANA), Les Dion

Welcome: Janet welcomed Jen Rosene from NANA to the committee. She said that Jenne Walker (Slim Baker) will also be joining us but was unable to attend today.

#### **Follow-ups:**

- a. Sponsorship Sales: Claire gave us an updated Celebratory Sponsor form for individuals/families. Les reports that Rotary will be discussing this at their business meeting this week. Stacy asked if the form can be sent out electronically and we should add a mailing address where checks can be sent. Christina will have a drop box in her office for these. Al said that he spoke with Mark McDonough briefly about sponsorship. Mark was very receptive to an in-kind type of donation and financial sponsorship. Al gave him the info and Mark will review it when he returns from vacation. Bill has spoken with Nancy Spears from Imagine and she was going to bring the info to a business forum she was attending. We want to have all sponsorships in by 1/25.
- b. Sponsorship Mailing: Claire reports that the mailing list has been updated. We will have the first sponsor reception in January for the top three levels of sponsorship. Claire will send out the updated list so people that have been unable to attend meetings can pick the businesses they wish to speak to personally. Once that is done we will send out a mailing to the remaining businesses.

Trolley: Claire reported that we are not prepared to make a commitment to this at this point. We will look into other potential dates and make a decision at that point if we want to have it.

Commemorative Items: Claire reported that the company told her that if we order after January 1<sup>st</sup> they will give us a 20% discount.

Timeline: Claire is in the process of working on this. We will need to have the program booklet ready to print in April. We can solicit Family/Individual sponsors at Town meeting as well. We can continue to get sponsors after April but they will not be listed in the booklet.

Boy Scouts: Greg Worthen contacted Janet and the Scouts are interested in helping us. They would like to have us visit one of their meetings to discuss the possibilities. Janet thought that they could be the Color Guard at some events and we can think of other ways that they could help prior to our meeting with them. She will meet with them in

January or February and asked if any other committee members would like to attend with her. The question also came up as to whether there are any Eagle Scout projects coming up during 2019.

Jenne Walker of Slim Baker is very interested in doing an event on January 19<sup>th</sup>. She is thinking a coffee, cocoa, cookie, craft, artisan demo and bonfire type of thing. She also has some great ideas for the service at Inspiration Point. She would like to do some sort of walking tour and has a power point on the history of Slim Baker.

Susan Sodano of P&S Crafts would like to join the committee but could not make it today. It was suggested that we connect the snowshoe club with Jenne Walker for a snowshoe hike. We have extension 136 for the Bicentennial Committee at the town office and when a message comes in Claire will get an email. Claire reports that we had an email from Jeff at Water & Sewer asking how the Town Departments can participate. We may want to give some space in the Program Guide for each department and its history. Les said that Chief McIntire is interested in doing some type of winter triathlon with snowshoeing, cross country skiing and skating. The Library is interested in doing the trivia questions.

Claire reports that she spoke with Kim Smith. Kim was following up on the historical scavenger hunt. She has spoken with Belknap Mill about their photo scavenger hunt. They had 60 spots and a 2-hour time limit. She has all the info to share with us.

Doug reported on his research on a beard growing contest. He said we would need to make a decision on the dates/categories/rules. We need to know if we want them to start clean shaven at the start. He will send info to Hilda on this. Bill suggested we allow mutton chops and mustaches as well. November is already mustache month so that should be part of it. We should do a starting and ending picture of the group. Jen suggested having the public vote as well.

Shackett's Brewery and Woodman's Brewery are going to work together to create a commemorative beer for us.

Lucille suggests talking to Justin Wheeler about having a commemorative item made for him to sell in his shop. It was discussed that other businesses such as Twin Designs and Smile Makers might want to do this as well. The only condition would be that if they use our logo we approve the items.

Lucille spoke with Mike McKinley who does historical talks. He is interested in doing some mini talks on the common.

Budget: We discussed the budget and would like to ask for \$15,000-\$20,000 in the 2019 budget. Les will bring this up to the Select Board.

Submitted by, Leslie Dion