

Minutes March 20, 2017

300th Celebration

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jean Methot at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 20, 2017, at Stevens Memorial Hall.

In attendance: Chris Hadik, Tim Bortz, Jack Cannon, Ed Karjala, Ed Stuart and Jean Methot.

Chair Jean Methot asked for approval to accept the previous meeting's minutes. Jack Cannon made a motion to accept; seconded by Ed Stuart; approved by all.

The main purpose of tonight's meeting was to work on setting parameters for the logo contest for the 300th celebration. Tim handed out a draft of possible requirements we would want to include for the logo contest, some of the ideas derived from various other sources. It was decided that entries would be submitted to the Town Offices at 84 Chester Street, and okayed by Jack Cannon.

Chris Hadik brought up extending the date of submitting contest ideas and, after discussion, it was decided to extend it to Friday, December 1, 2017. Winner would be announced at the Town Meeting that following May of 2018. A prize of \$300.00 and two tickets for all the celebration activities would be awarded to that winner.

Jack Cannon had questions about some of Tim's "bullet" guidelines and will bring them up with the Town Attorney just to make sure we're in the clear for liability, i.e., "designs and images must be the original work of the artist", etc. Some of these "bullets" could be condensed into one from the three so we can fit the whole thing onto one page.

It was decided that the contest will be open to all Chester residents and former residents.

Three essential requirements of the logo -- it must show: "1722-2022", "Chester, NH" and "300th". Tim will add these requirements to the list for participants.

Discussion was held about the "shape" of the logo and it was decided that we could make adjustments if rectangular or square designs were submitted if we need/want to have a circular design for certain items, such as coins, buttons, etc.

Tim has spoken to the Postmaster General's office about the fee (\$20.), etc. regarding the issue of a commemorative envelope and first issue envelope for us to sell.

Various ways of publicizing the 300th celebration included contacting Chester Academy to put in their school newsletters (Jean will contact Leslie or the PTA); through the Rec. Department (Corinna); on Facebook - need to set up our own page - Ed Karjala will set up a website and

Facebook page for our use. Need to choose a domain name (cost \$8.99) - Chester Tri-Centennial was suggested. Jack suggested putting the contest rules on the Chester Town website as well.

Jean Methot is looking for someone to head up a committee to take charge of getting a daffodil bulb sale organized and getting volunteers to later plant these for the town celebration. Suggestions were made about planting them along the cemetery walls on Rt 102 and Rt 121, and near the Town Offices. Jean would like to get businesses in town to donate money for the purchase of the bulbs from Holland. Jean will check with the Boy Scouts and see if this is something they would be interested in helping with.

Our next meeting will be held just before the Town Meeting - Wednesday, May 3rd. Jean will be talking about the warrant article at the meeting for further funds for the 300th. The Town meeting will be held Saturday, May 13th.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. Motion to adjourn by Ed Karjala; seconded by Jack Cannon; all approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Pepper, Secretary