

Tercentennial Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2018

Attendees: Marge Devine, Carol Kauffman, Joel Glass, Jeanne Madden, Sandy Couch-Kelly
Staff: Erin Cadigan, Melissa Tryon

1. Approval of Minutes from January 4, 2018 meeting

Erin made one amendment to the minutes. The minutes were approved as amended.

2. Events/Activities Update

- **Program Guide**

Guides have been received in the mail. There are some available at the Library and Town Hall if people ask for them. It is also online at www.falmouth300.org.

- **Recap of January Events**

- o **January 11, Community Conservation Film**

- About 100 people attended, including people from all over the region. The 300th was mentioned as part of the introduction.

- o **January 16, Richard Blanco Event**

- Over 400 people came and it was a wonderful event. Mr. Blanco's talk tied into the theme of the celebration, the power of place and celebration of home. Students sold baked goods and the Maine Audubon sold copies of his books for the book signing. He signed books until 9pm. It was a nice event and we got a lot of attention out of it.

- o **January 27, REAC Energy Fair**

- This was a joint event with Cumberland and Yarmouth and was very well attended.

- o **January 28, Falmouth's Got Talent**

- Erin attended the elementary portion and Candice attended the high school event. Falmouth300 was represented on the program and when the awards were given out.

- o **January Donate300**

- We didn't get 300 boxes but people don't know about it yet. Kim Block did a piece about it that aired earlier this week on WGME interviewing Erin, Nancy Lightbody and Nathan Poore and focusing on both Donate300, Falmouth300 and the Food Pantry in general. February's location is Gorham Savings Bank; they are collecting at both locations for the food pantry.

- **February Events**

- o **February 4, Quakers in Falmouth**

- This event is sold out. There are 50 people coming. They are having an issue with the limited amount of parking, so they are arranging carpooling for each of the two sessions. The Historical Society is providing refreshments. Jeanne wondered doing the presentation again at the library.

- o **February 11, Snowshoe Trek**

- The Falmouth Land Trust is doing this with Community Programs.

- o **February 15, Andrew Barton "Maine Woods"**

- This event is part of the Changing Landscapes lecture series and will be held at the Audubon.

- o **February 17, Winter Carnival at Audubon**

- o **February 22, Lions Roaring Raffle Night**

- This will be at Madden's pub. Jeanne said they have amazing raffle items; they've done this for years.

- o **February Donate300: Gorham Savings Bank**

- **Old Home Days Planning**

- o **Next Planning Meeting, February 12, 6:30pm, Mason-Motz building**

The first planning meeting went well and some new people came. They discussed food and whether they would have vendors or food trucks. Erin will discuss the necessary licensing with Ellen Planer and then approach potential vendors. They plan to present all the applications to the Council at the same time. The goals for the next meeting are to finalize food plans and to start plans for musical guests. Sandy reported that she has a connection with someone who runs the concessions for the Falmouth Fall classic for Falmouth Youth Soccer and also does food for Darlings Waterfront Pavilion. He could do hamburgers, hot dogs, steak & cheese, pizza, sausage, and dessert foods. Erin suggested allowing the local non-profit groups to sell desserts; each group would have an assigned dessert. She asked if the town would get a cut of the food profits.

- **Waterfront Bash, June 9**

This event will be at Town Landing and we may have a tall ship for it. There is a Maine based tall ship with a shallow enough draft. She is still waiting to hear if they are available this weekend. If it goes, there will be three sail aways each of the two days. The ship holds 60 people per sail. People would have to be shuttled down. They are also planning a band.

- **Move300**

Erin said there are 11 participants so far. The committee drew the first winner. The committee discussed gifts for the remaining months. Carol suggested spring bonds from Skillins. Erin wondered about getting gifts donated from the businesses.

- **Traveling Exhibit**

Erin dropped the travelling exhibit off at Oceanview today. It will be displayed there for the whole month. March is still open, and it will be at the library for April. The committee discussed other venues around town. Jeanne will work on a plan and schedule. Sandy suggested bringing it to the spelling bee in April.

3. Other Business

Jeanne asked if the committee wants to talk to the school about putting something on the diplomas for the tercentennial class. Erin wondered about putting the logo on whatever the school does as a gift. She will talk with the high school.

Marge compiled a list of ideas for community giving. She thought the list could be distributed to businesses or people who want to get involved, make an impact or mark the occasion.

Sandy asked if the team would field a team for the spelling bee. The committee will discuss this at next month's meeting.

Melissa announced that Sen Cathy Breen and Rep Teresa Pierce have invited the committee to the State House on March 6 to receive a legislative sentiment. The Town will have a van available to drive everyone up. Jeanne, Marge, Erin, Carol, and Sandy confirmed that they can go.

4. Next meeting date

March 1, 2018

5. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Notes prepared by:
Melissa Tryon