

KILLINGWORTH 350TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE COMMITTEE

January 24th, 2017

Minutes

The January 24th, 2017 350th Anniversary Commemorative Committee was called to order by Chairperson Lucinda Hogarty at 7:02 P.M. in the Town office Building. The Following members were present: Lucinda Hogarty, Lewis Scranton, Les Riblet, George Dupree, Charles Smith. Michael Parahus, Tom Lentz, and Franco Piscitelli. The following members were absent: Carl Nord, Michelle Adametz, Fie Budzinsky, Andrea Freibauer and Linda Dudek. The following visitors were present: Dan Perkins, Cathy Iino, Greg Wind, Sandy Smith, and Kelvin W. Cole and Tom Keyes.

Michael Parahus moved to accept the meetings as presented, seconded by Charles Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Sandy Smith spoke about the 350th scavenger hunt. Nine spots throughout Killingworth. Residents would have 1 week to complete the hunt. Consider a small gift for those that complete the hunt. All ages would be encouraged to participate. Perhaps have hunters take pictures at each spot as proof they were there. Have a vignette to discuss each spot, history, meaning, etc. Come up with trivia questions for each location. Would be held from June 3rd to the 10th to coincide with the Farm Market. Hunters can pick up location cards at the library, town hall, possibly electronic?

Kelvin W. Charles presented a wonderful story/talk on the very early history of Killingworth. Discussion afterwards of other eras that could be included.

Budget committee had nothing to report because of no activity. A budget was submitted to the town. Town will vote in May.

Cowboy Valley – deciding on material from film for a DVD to be made. Discussion of finding a cutout for family and children to take photos, cowboy, farm hand, cow, etc. It was suggested that the shop class could create a similar cutout as found on the internet. It was also discussed the 350th committee would dress up Western style for the event?

Carl Nord is working with the elementary school to do a contest for students. It could be a poster, song, poem. We would need judges. Gift certificates for winners.

Follies – Jim Kane and Charles Smith need to enhance the audio from the DVD in order to present. 10-15 intro, then present the Follie Discs. Middle school is a possible location. After school has finished during the summer?

Tom Lentz – Historical society, nothing new to report. Timeline is ready for purchase.

Killingworth Images – Charles Smith spoke with Allan Katz, an American collector, or someone associated with his group, to focus on Killingworth folk art. The event could be a slide show. Allan would cover sponsor cost. Timing would be late spring early summer. Need to investigate how to spread the word to rest of the state to draw interest for the event. Contact CT Folk Art museums?

KWO – nothing new to report

Jeff Bagwell – just inducted into hall of fame. There is an exhibit at the library. Library display was reserved for July. Dan Glynn of the KYL is speaking to Jeff about coming for an event.

Grant – KW foundation committed 4k for educational activities, colonial crafts? Images? Mystic Seaport would like to do a presentation. Several companies have committed, many sponsorships, grants will have special mention in the 350th book.

Parade – Greg Win, needs to meet with new trooper to decide on route and pull permits. Three organizations have committed to doing floats. Working on large street sign/banner to go across route for 350th. Process will begin to get the banner.

Picnic – 144 letters went out to businesses in December. 45 to nonprofits/churches. 12 were returned. Shuttle buses from parking lots to farm. Perhaps the middle school parking would \$5. We need dumpsters and portables.

Public relations – bulletin board at library for info. Library is very eager to help.

May 7 will be an old fashioned worship

Monument and Plaque, Cathy and Lucinda will coordinate on plaque. Dedication would be done on naming day.

Sister City contact, Newport, NH and Twinsburg, OH will send proclamations for 350th.

Fife and Drum of North Haven would like to do the parade, there would be a cost. We should consider other cores, like Durham, Westbrook, Stony Creek, Deep River.

Charles spoke about ATT needing a copy of our Determination Letter for business deductions purposes.

Ads for the book deadline was extended to February 15th. A flurry of ads came in at original deadline. Book is being promoted in Krier, library, town hall, special website, Clinton and Shoreline Chamber email blast, as well as Killingworth Chamber. Lots of ads have come in. Plenty of content. Finalizing covers and pictures. All color ads have been taken. Will be mailed before April 1st. Will be 40-60 pages, mailed to every resident and business in Killingworth. Outside contributors will receive a book. Will be distributed at different events throughout the year, more can be ordered if needed.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 28th, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.,

Respectfully submitted,
Franco Piscitelli, Killingworth Chamber President