

1772 Meetinghouse Restoration Committee
Meeting Minutes for November 22, 2022
Approved January 30, 2023

Members present: Ellen Phillips, Bob Bickford, Robin Bickford, Clayton Randall

Guests present: Susan Randall, Cathy Allyn, Dot Veisel

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ellen Phillips at 7:03 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the November 7, 2022 meeting. Several spelling errors were corrected.

Motion to accept minutes as amended. (B. Bickford/E. Phillips) Three “yes” and 1 abstention.

Minutes of the November 9, 2022 workshop with the Board of Selectmen.

Motion to accept minutes as written. (B. Bickford/R. Bickford) Approved unanimously.

Financial Report

As of 11/22/22 the checking account balance is \$25,789.49

Motion to accept Financial Report as presented (B.Bickford/C. Randall) Approved unanimously.

New Business

2023 events

- Spring Fling – possibly May 21, 2023
 - collaboration with Parks & Recreation
 - need corporate sponsors for possible activities
 - herding dogs - \$ needed
 - Sheep to Shawl with NH Spinners and Dyers - \$ needed
 - contact: Tim Molinaro
 - demonstration of fiber arts – Alice Perron has some materials and tools
 - drop spindle demonstration
 - other possibilities
 - Muddy Road Brewery
 - Taco truck
 - Chris ??? from Alton – Cats In The Cradle – soaps
 - needle felting workshop or demonstration
 - dipped candles

- yard sale
 - people could donate items
 - think about what would happen to things that didn't sell

Old Business

Fundraising

- ornaments
 - wood laser cut
 - we have 80 blanks (shape of a round ornament)
 - cost: \$37.50 setup fee
 - \$.85 per sq. inch for design
 - sell for \$10 each
 - seal with boiled linseed oil or spray on clear finish?
 - Ellen and Sue have feather trees to use to display ornaments for sale

Discussion of how many ornaments to have made. Where to access the money to pay for them was discussed. Sue Randall and Dot Veisel offered to “front” the money to do all 80 ornaments.

Motion to spend \$316.09 for 80 wood ornaments with the Meetinghouse design on them, to be sold for \$10 each. Sue Randall and Dot Veisel to be reimbursed as funds become available. Sue - \$158.05, Dot - \$158.04. (E. Phillips/R. Bickford) Approved unanimously.

- Payment system for future fundraisers
 - money in donation jars are labeled for Meetinghouse, no specific purpose – can this be designated for fundraisers?
 - Ellen presented list of cash donations from 2021 to present with no specific purpose listed - \$808.00 total

Newsletter

- edits suggested
 - change picture to black and white; less expensive to copy
 - add the email address for the MRC under the picture
 - change orientation of address section – Post Office prefers it in portrait mode
- Motion to approve the content of the newsletter as amended (E. Phillips/R. Bickford) Approved unanimously.**

- how to pay for printing
 - Bob – no money in account for printing
 - Town Administrator took printing budget to pay for tarps for roof
 - this was done without input from MRC

Ellen will “front” the money until we are able to speak to our Board liaison, Marc DeCoff.

December 10, 2022 Holiday event – Cathy Allyn has planned program

- starts at 1 pm. Program should last no more than 1 hour.
- music, hot spiced cider, cookies will be served
- portable heater? Ellen will check with Fire Dept.
 - Bob has generator that will run it
- Ellen will apply for event permit and contact appropriate agencies
- People available to work – Marc, Ellen, Sue, Cathy

501 C3

- Cecile Chase will work on this with Ellen, hopefully by January 2023 meeting
 - need to be careful when choosing a name for organization
 - suggestion – Friends of 1772 Meetinghouse
 - Cathy – Jean Shaheen will help get it through and others have offered to expedite it
 - Cathy – by-laws need to be updated before we apply

clothes shed

- Ellen read a thank you letter from St. Paulie
 - New Durham is one of their top performers
 - mentioned how clean and well run it is
- Ellen changed mailing address so that checks come to MRC rather than Town
- Jon has been absent lately – Clayton will contact him and encourage him to continue helping

memorial stones

- check with Jon Mouradian – does he have 1772 Meetinghouse stone?
- take picture of people with their stones for publicity
- check purchase form language – written as purchase or donation?

Other Business

The Meetinghouse is still filled with Halloween decorations. Dot will contact Celeste Chasse and ask that they remove them and sweep the floor.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:03 pm (C. Randall/B. Bickford). Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Randall, Secretary

Rolling list of action

- Ellen - apply for event permit for December 10, 2022
- Clayton – check with Jon Mouradian for memorial stone and if he will continue to help with clothing shed
- January meeting - update by-laws for 501 C3 application
- February – check with Tim Mulinaro for Spring Fling date
- Ellen – share 2013 charge for MRC with members
- set up workshop to discuss creation of a Heritage Commission