

Whately 250th Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes
2/12/18 7pm Town Offices

Fire Association will take on responsibility of Chairing Parade. Parade is the biggest budget item. Malcolm Corse from Conway has their parade details and we could expect to spend \$16000.

Selectman approved “official” committee and will need to eventually approve officers for committee.

Revote to request from Finance Committee to approve \$20,000 from FY 19 budget with the expectation of at least 2 more requests of \$20,000. Fred Baron will take responsibility of this task.

Meeting with Heidi Flanders (Conway 250th) she planned 5 years ahead. They requested \$60,000 and will share their budget. She also reported fund raising brought in \$10,000. They had no major donors like banks etc. They did not have a 501c.

Recruiting will be done at Town Meeting and actively recruiting by us for events. Also, flyers will be used and the email address 250th.Whately.info@gmail.com.

Sub Committee recruiting: some people have volunteered.

- Fireworks: Need to follow up with Laurie Banas. Should be held on a Friday night with a rain date of Saturday. Location should be back hill of library with parking at Yankee Candle maybe.
- Dance: Ann Barker suggested April 24th but if it's cold there is no heating system. April is outside of Quonquont operating season so it will not affect events, also stated June shouldn't be a problem either. Janelle Denehy was very receptive to the idea of being Chairperson of Dance/Ball. This would also include catering.
- Commemorative Pottery: Eric from Cummington will come to Whately Historical Society to see what kind of commemorative items were used in 1971. He also can make 1-2 gal. jugs. Suggestion made to have Nancy Talanian as possible chairperson. Discussion to also have smaller scale items for kids to paint etc.
- Family Day: See if PTO, Recreation Dept., Carol Hutkoski and/or Nicole Ciesluk can be involved.

Logo/Slogan: Needs to be done sooner than later. Discussion of contest, disclosure notice. Advertised in The Scoop, and area schools. Mr. Smith will reach out to schools. Requirements from Judy Markland's email will be used. Deadline will be April 1st for submissions. Prizes will be awarded.

Website/ Social Media: Megan Sanderson Murphy said she would help with marketing, Jen Reynolds will work with her with photos etc.

Printing and Graphic Arts: Dan Olanyk has a printing shop in Sunderland. Discussion about Commemorative Book or recipe book. WHS is planning to create a book about Historical Homes. Discussion about house tours, church, Grange, Boy Scouts, 4-H, cemetery tour, farm tour.

Fundraising: community tag sale, raffle calendars. We can attempt to have fund raisers at Memorial Day celebration, Town Hall grand opening. Discussion about banners.

Board of Health needs to be talked to about arranging restrooms and garbage. Talk to Amherst Trucking.

Fred and Sara will work on 501c.

Next meeting 3/12/18 7pm Town offices.