

LUNENBURG 300TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 8/31/26

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeanne Dupre, Lois Filiau, Dawn Johnson, Debbie Lincoln, Maura Lizek, Chris Sullivan, Bill Tyler

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paulette Beardmore, Michelle Belleza, Laura Brzozoski, Cathy Clark, Renee Emkey, Liaison

GUESTS: Rob Foster, Chrztine Foltz

Meeting called to order at 7:05

Committee Comment:

Bill said Paulette's health is improving and she hopes to be at the next meeting.

Freedom's Way Heritage Group at Devens will give a reimbursement of up to \$5000.

Public Comment

Christine Foltz, representing the Lunenburg Cultural Council, says they have \$9,000 to grant to projects relating to the arts. The deadline for submission is 10/15. There must be a venue and a specific cost. She suggested a 300th mural by Lunenburg artists such as Karen Kemp and Kate McCarron. (Where?) More info at massculturalcouncil.org/local-council/lunenburg

The minutes from July were approved.

Rob Foster was in attendance for discussion of 501C3 Friends group. Others who had agreed to participate were Rich Letarte, Dawn Gearin (after Homecoming,) Ena Thompson. Waiting to hear from Michelle about Colleen Shapiro.

The Pyrotecnico contract was presented and Bill will send to the Town Manager for review.

The Birthday Cake is in major disrepair. Two layers are missing. It might be possible to get a grant to fix it. Per Jeanne, Workers Credit Headquarters in Littleton could store it for work. Maki's could be a possible donator for materials. We will take the cake from Lowell.

Yard candles will be a fundraiser.

300th coins are priced- color \$5.00, copper \$.80, so an expenditure of \$5,600.

Banners (possibly sponsored by businesses) are 50 for \$3,300. Until a possible sponsor for their poles. Restrictions on state roads?

Discussion of creations of levels of donations (e.g. angels, patrons, etc.) for acknowledgement

Ways to attract young families - booklet with stamps for event participation, relays, field, days, partnership with Marshall Park activities.

Topics for next meeting:

Cultural Council

Cake

501C3

Coins

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58.

