

Town House Advisory Group

Minutes: Meeting Thursday March 19th, 2015 (Martha's house) 7:08 meeting called to order, by Rocky

Present: Curt Albee, Martha Manheim, Steve Willbanks, Steve Handy, Phyl Harmon, Paul Kifner, Lori Mikusa, Rocky Fuller

Curt shared a story from his sister. We look forward to next month's tale.

1) Appointment of members:

All members remain the same for another year.

2) Events:

a. Concerts on the Green, every other Tuesday July through August 2015. Town House used if rained out

b. Reading series, four consecutive Thursdays, in August 2015

c. Concert is booked, no further info

d. Sept. 19th wedding (Hardy Johnson/ O'Dell)

3) Annual Clean Up Day: Sunday April 26th, 2015 10 am to 1 pm

*Volunteers needed to help clean our Town House.

*Lori will post on list serv, and in the Strafford News

4) Poster display panels for Use at the Town House: Phyl Harmon proposed two different ways to create a tri-fold display panel, which can be set up during TH events for information and promotion of the building

These panels would run about \$50.00, a more substantial and sturdier design would be made out of foam board. (either design will need to be up-dated periodically)

*Lori will get pictures to Phyl or Steve by Thursday, 26th. (on flash drive)

Phyl has volunteered her services to create this board with Steve Willbank's help. (thanks Phyl)

5) Chimney Removal: The chimney installed in 1830, was unsafe. A substantial donation was received, as well as a grant from the George Brown Endowment funded the dismantling.

* The bricks will need to be hauled down by volunteers.

* Possible fund raiser would be: sand blast a simple image of the Town House and the date it was built (1799)

6) Other Business:

a. Phyl Harmon donated a basket which will be used to pass for donations during functions, (Thanks Phyl)

b. Lori will research how to make CD (Paul recorded "Green Concert Series" last season) street legal

* Release from musicians

* bar code

* Ed Eastridge will be contacted to advise

c. Possible Grant for Audio/ Video \$5,000.00: Paul is investigating with Michael C. from the Homestead (Library and Historical Soc may also be interested in helping)

* Paul's estimates are around \$8,00.00. The \$3,00.00 difference maybe covered by all the local groups chipping in as well as a few donations. (the whole town would benefit)

*Paul is checking into mylar for a screen (\$75.00, roughly) instead of a regular picture screen (which retails for about \$900.00)

d. Steve Handy agrees to be the main guide for the summer season. (thanks Steve)

e. Steve H. Suggests an annual membership (possible 20/25 dues), with a yearly pot luck or event like that.

f. Rocky is working towards the final steps for funding, and acquiring the compost toilet.

g. Possible help with final work to be done on Back House:

*Pace, Stan and Dottie? - painting

* Peter D? -slate floor

* Doc? - hinges

h. The railing to the Back House needs to be painted, and an adjustment to the railing as it enters the building

i. TH Beer tasting June 6th (Ben). Still waiting for confirmation

j. Strafford had 44 casualties during the Civil War. The Historical Society will hold a 150th Anniversary event: April 10th, 2015.

The next meeting: Thursday April, 23rd at 7:00pm at Martha's house.

8:25 meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted, Lori Mikusa