

# *Middlebury Bicentennial Committee*

(Unapproved) Minutes of Meeting held on March 1, 2007

@Shepardson Community Center

Present: Chairman Robert Desmarais

members Terrence McAuliffe, Raymond Pietrorazio, Ronald Vitarelli

1. CALL TO ORDER- Meeting called to order by Chairman R.Desmarais @ 7:00 p.m.
2. MINUTES: The minutes of the Feb. 8, 2007 meeting were reviewed, and motioned by T. McAuliffe to accept, seconded by R. Vitarelli, and unanimously voted to accept.
3. TREE PLANTING- Marie Vitarelli is participating with this event-committee. Aprobable date is June 13<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup>. Planting will; be disease free/resistive elms. Possible location is southeast corner of the green. A reception with refreshments is being planned, with bagpipes.NO POLITICS! Coordinating with Robin Fenn. A Board of Selctmen proclamation was suggested if this is to be a continuing event in following years.
4. MEMORIAL DAY PARADE- Lions club will enter a float with Bicentennial theme. Ray Pietrorazio will coordinate Lions, Park & Rec. and Bicentennial Committee on float entrys.
5. EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT- Ray Pietrorazio apprised the committee that an Eagle Scout candidate is seeking a project with the Bicentennial. Ray volunteered to represent the committee in assisting the scout with his project.
6. TREASURER'S REPORT- Dennis Small gave an update on funds received, deposits and disbursements. An overpayment to the Winter Fest. ice carver was corrected.
7. MEMORABILIA-
  - Ray Pietrorazio requested a formal vote on the road banner to be placed across Rt. #64. Ron Vitarelli moved to purchase the banner (quotes leaning toward Sign-arama at this time), for the approximate cost of \$1650.00, seconded by Terry McAuliffe and unanimously approved.
  - Ray should have more info. on other planned memorabilia for April meeting.
  - Ron Vitarelli reported that Larry's Wine & Spirits, Middlebury Pharmacy, Sullivan's Jewelry and Park & Rec. Dept. will be selling memorabilia items at no cost to the Committee.
  - Ron Vitarelli to ask Terry Adams if Adams & Adams will also distribute for us at no charge.

8. FUND RAISING AND SPONSORSHIPS – Still awaiting checks held up due to tax ID No. Ray Pietrorazio reported he should be winding up Video Sponsorships before the April meeting.

9. SPONSORSHIP RECOGNITION- Ron reviewed past discussions on how and what to do. He also suggested a bicentennial display at the Middlebury Library. Bob Desmarais will request same for later in the year. Dennis Small will contact other Middleburians for their congratulations extended.

10. HISTORICAL SOCIETY MAP- The Bicentennial Committee has no further action to take with regard to the 1865 map. Robert Rafford discussed a Bicentennial Coin that Robin Fenn is encouraging.

11. BICENTENNIAL VIDEO – Almost complete! Terry McAuliffe announced new showing dates:

- Premiere showing May 12<sup>th</sup>, others on 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Terry stated Video cost is on budget.
- video sales prices are \$25 each/ \$20 for seniors.
- Terry stated 500 is sale projection at this time

12. NEW BUSINESS –

- Bob Rafford suggested geneology to coincide with the Bicentennial celebration. This will be further reviewed.
- Ron Vitarelli motioned the Committee authorize Ed Noonan to engage the firm of Blum-Shapiro to do IRS filing for the quoted sum of \$500.00, seconded by Bob Desmarais, and unanimously voted in favor.

13. There being no further business before the Committee, the Committee adjourned the meeting @ 8:35 p.m., by motion of Ray Pietrorazio, seconded by T. McAuliffe, and unanimously voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Pietrorazio

March 17, 2007