

Nation's 250th Committee Minutes
January 11, 2024

Members Present: Patricia Jenkins, Marian Kelsey, Scott Bugbee, Laura Gund and Sandi Jenkins

Members Absent: Janet Allen, Clara Kustra

I. Call to Order 4:40 p.m.

II. Secretary's Report

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Approval of Minutes from 12/14/2023

Reviewed and accepted edits to the draft minutes.

Laura Gund moved to accept approved minutes, as amended. Scott Bugbee seconded. Approved 5-0.

III. Treasurer's Report

A. Budget

i. Scott Bugbee reported that the the Select Board has approved \$1,000 requested for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for incendentals/supplies.

ii. Scott Bugbee reported that the Select Board requested a breakdown of the requested \$5,000 budget from the Town Budget Committee for budget year 7/1/2024 through 6/30/2025. The Committee agreed upon expenditures. Marian Kelsey moved to submit the agreed upon breakdown to the Select Board. Laura Gund seconded the motion. Approved 5-0. A written breakdown will be sent to the Select Board for review at the view at the their 1/16/2024 meeting.

IV. Discussion

A. Historic Town Celebration Records

Committee members who have information regarding events that were held at past celebrations (i.e. bi-centennial / semi-quincentennial) were asked to bring the information to the February 2024 meeting to review.

B. Banner/Logo Design

Laura Gund has spoken with Amy Daskal regarding her assistance with both design and logo. Initial thoughts include design of a "Lee The People" town logo and three (3) banner designs specific to each "celebration era", i.e. Indiginous (2024); Colonial (2025) and Revolutionary (2026). The Committee agreed to invite Ms. Daskal to attend the February Committee meeting to discuss details. Laura Gund to coordinate.

C. Advertising

The Committee discussed developing a flyer announcing the structure of the Committee's plan for 250th Nation's celebrations (2024 through 2026). Need to finalize logo and banner designs in order to design flyer. Flyer could be introduced at the March 2024 Town of Lee voting event.

The Committee agreed that assistance is needed in the areas of advertising and public relations. Patricia Jenkins and Laura Gund agreed to speak with Bob Cabral to see if he would be interested assisting with advertising/public relations surrounding activities/events.

D. Commemorative Coins / Lapel Pins

E. Discussion to keep same coin design used from 1976 centennial celebrations. Marian Kelsey suggested designing lapel pins instead of coins. The Committee agreed to investigate this idea.

F. Website Design

Committee tabled future discussion.

G. Re-Enactors

H. Town Events

- i. The Committee discussed inviting the "flag man" who had set up a field of (our nation's) flags at the 1976 celebration. Marian Kelsey will contact the flag company in Greenland, NH to see if they have any information.
- ii. Scott Bugbee reminded the Committee of the "Lee Remembers" event that was developed by Paul Gasowski. May be fun to host a similar event which will serve as a "grass roots" event which will foster open conversations to community members to tell stories and look at pictures about historical events in Lee. The Committee agreed to explore potential development of this program.
- iii. Laura Gund agreed to talk with Dave Miner about carving a "totum" or historically relevant statue carved from a "Mast Tree" for (potential) display at the Lee Town "triangle".
- iv. The Committee is interested in coordinating with other Town Committees to brainstorm ideas and enlist assistance for development and implementation of events. A list will be compiled of Committees/representatives to invite to a future Nation's 250th Committee meeting.

- v. Scott Bugbee spoke with Jen Roy who gave him the name and contact information for the First NH Regiment re-enactors. Scott Bugbee to contact to see if they would be interested in coordinating an event to be held in 2026 and what the cost would be.

I. 2026 Parade

- a. Marching Bands

Table discussion for future meeting.

- b. Floats

Sandi Jenkins to review and present feedback on initial first draft of a letter from the Committee asking local businesses to support sponsorship.

V. Closing Actions

A. Adjournment

Laura Gund motioned to adjourn. Scott Bugbee seconded the motion.
Approved 5-0
Meeting adjourned 6:05 p.m.