

Hanson 200th Anniversary Committee

January 23, 2020

Members Present: Tricia Dransfield ,Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett (left 7:30 PM), Audrey Flanagan, Lee Gamache, Amanda Hauck, Marcus Linn, Anne Merlin, Josh Singer and Alex Stewart

Guests Present: Joanne Blauss and Wes Blauss

I. Meeting Call to Order at 7:06 PM by Audrey Flanagan

Motion to approve the Minutes of January 9, 2020 as amended made by Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett, seconded by Marcus Linn

Passed 9-0

II. Old Business

Gala Updates

Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett presented a status report. Arlene Verity has volunteered to teach attendees the Charleston. Marcus Linn has agreed to be the curator for the historical display. All items due by February 13th. The Town Hall sign will be available on January 29 - February 15th. Theresa Santalucia will reach out to the Hanson Historical Society for historical items. Bruce Young is set to give a demonstration of his Victrolas. Steve Centola from Music N' Motion as well as the Photo Booth will arrive at 4:00pm. to set up.

Public Relations will be doing outreach through WHCA, the Whitman/Hanson Express, and social media. Laura has also followed up with the Board of Selectmen Administrator Greer Getzen on proclamations by US Representative, William Keating, State Senator Michael Brady and State Representative Josh Cutler.

Wine Glasses

Audrey met with John Stanbrook and learned that the Town cannot buy or sell alcohol at any Town event but can solicit donations for wine. She has been networking with organizations to sell wine. Laura suggested looking for a 501(c) (3) to assist with the sale of wine.

Audrey reached out to Rockland Athletics to get some samples of wine glasses, which were shown to the Committee. The committee has expressed interest with the stemless glasses etched with the Hanson 200th logo.

A motion to print 36 at \$11.35 a glass not to exceed \$600 made by Josh, seconded by Marcus Linn.

Passed 8-0

Veteran Flags

Lee Gamache has gotten support from Hanson Highway and Fire Department. While they lack a bucket ladder, they will ask for help from Selectman Kenny Mitchell in obtaining a bucket truck to hang the flags.

The next step is to reach out to anyone who's interested in purchasing or sponsoring the purchase of these flags. Once the pamphlet is printed, Lee will send them out to people in Town who may be interested in this campaign. The turnaround time is three to four weeks, hoping to be ready by Memorial Day. The cost is \$175 which includes replacement if damaged. These flags will be displayed from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Veterans Agent Tim White has shown his support to help.

Library Events

Audrey met with the Historical Society. They have shown interest with working on several events to include an event with the Mattakeesett Tribe, Josh Cutler's book, and a forum for Historians. Theresa has also mentioned a children's poster contest. The winners will march with them in our parade.

III. New Business

Calendars

There are leftover calendars. Audrey Flanagan offered to pass them out, along with Hanson Anniversary events pamphlets, at the Polar Plunge.

A motion to give remaining calendars at the Polar Plunge and Town Hall made by Alex Stewart, seconded by Anne Merlin

Passed 8-0

Treasurer's Report

Amanda Hauck handed out the Treasurer's Report to the Committee. The account has \$53,346.69. Expenses remaining will be for Old Home Days, an outdoor movie, the Food Truck Rodeo and the Parade.

Parade

Audrey has been in contact with the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District to use the Middle School as a staging area for the parade. Audrey Flanagan has sent out letters to businesses on January 22, 2020. Replies are needed by the end of February to be in or sponsor the parade. Parade time is set for 11:00am. September 19, 2020.

Octoberfest

Josh Singer met with Matt Dyer. There may be a scheduling issue using Camp Kiwanee. The committee is focused on doing Octoberfest after a Halloween event.

While the focus is on reaching out to different breweries, Audrey suggested talking to Town Administrator, John Stanbrook to assure there are no legal concerns. Josh and Matt will be meeting every month. Whatever issue there are, Josh can make the event work regardless.

IV. Meeting Adjournment

**A Motion to Adjourn was made by Josh Singer, seconded by Tricia Dransfield.
Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 PM.**