

## **Charlemont 250 Committee**

Oct.5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Minutes

6:30pm Warfield House Inn

Present: Jerry Gosetti, Kim Blakeslee, Gina Cunningham, Larry Mann, Cindy Donahue, Bambi Miller

Absent: Vaughn Tower, Cathy Buntin, Teresa Dailey, Jared Bellows

Meeting called to order at 6:50 by Jerry G.

- 1. It was determined and accepted by the BOS to appoint an 11 member Committee, one spot waiting to be filled.
- 2. Motion made by Jerry G to nominate Kim B as a Co-Chair  $2^{nd}$  by Larry M . All in favor aye JG,GC,LM,BM,CD
- 3. Motion made by Larry M to nominate Jerry G as a Co-Chair 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim B . All in favor aye KB,GC,LM,BM,CD
- 4. Motion made by Jerry G to nominate Larry M as a Treasurer 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cindy D . All in favor aye JG,GC,KB,BM,CD
- 5. Motion made by Jerry G to postpone nominating Secretaries position till next meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry M . All in favor aye JG,GC,KB,BM,CD,LM
- 6. It was discussed at the first meeting to decide on the look of the committee's structure. The following proposal was struck as a general format. Each member will select individually to be responsible for different projects, and or events. In turn they will seek volunteers to put their project or event in place. Each meeting each member will discuss their event and it's progress. Members may work in conjunction on events, but only the lead person will have the final say. Timeline a general timeline has not been determined and hope to finalize this when all the different events have been determined. General consensus is this may be a 6-8 month long celebration. Some people have expressed an interest in several areas. Historical aspect of Charlemont, River racing, Road racing event, Winter Festival, Artisans and Crafts Festival, Formal Ceremonies and Black Tie Events, Hawlemont School Play as well as some not yet determined, Agricultural day.
- 7. Discussion took place as to everyone participating in fund raising ideas and suggestions.
- 8. Next Meeting discussion will be on voting a secretary, slogan and logo.
- 9. Congratulations to all of you on making a difference.
- 10. Motion made by JG 2<sup>nd</sup> by LM to adjourn 8pm Next meeting to be held on Wed Nov 9<sup>th</sup> at Warfield House Inn at 6:30 pm. All in favor aye JG,KB,BM,LM,GC,CD

11. Nov.9<sup>th</sup>, 2011 CHARLEMONT '250' COMMITTEE

12. MINUTES

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14. 6:00pm Warfield House Inn

15. Present: Jerry Gosetti, Kim Blakeslee, Gina Cunningham, Larry Mann, Teresa Dailey

- 16. Absent: Vaughn Tower, Cathy Buntin, Jared Bellows, Cindy Donahue, Bambi Miller,
- 17. Meeting called to order at 6:10 by Jerry G.

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- 19. Agenda: Discussion around fundraising, building public awareness of committee, presenting logo, and future assignments. No voting to take place today.
- 20. 1. It was discussed that a Christmas tree bon-fire take place around January 7<sup>th</sup> 2011. This event will serve as a way for the community to meet committee members. Members will bake and sell snacks and beverages as a way to raise funds. Community members can drop off trees at a designated time and place the day of the fire. Two suggested sites were the Charlemont Fairgrounds or the field at Hawlemont. It was suggested that the Christmas tree bon-fire be an annual town event.
- 21. 2. Jerry to speak to Fire Chief Ken Hall about obtaining a permit for bon-fire.
- 22. 3. Suggestions on promoting Charlemont's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration include posters, t-shirts, buttons, banners, and press.
- 23. 4. Jerry to release information to the local press.
- 24. 5. Larry to get information about creating a 250<sup>th</sup> banner.
- 25. 6. The importance of including local businesses such as Berkshire East, Zoar, Avery's, Crabapple, Charlemont Academy, etc. was discussed.
- 26. 7. Virtual voting was discussed as we will not always have enough members present to obtain majority. Virtual votes will go out for secretary position, bon-fire, and logo.
- 27. 8. Next meeting discussion will be on the specifics of the bon-fire, updates, and future assignments.
- 28. 9. Motion made by JG to adjourn meeting at 7:40pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by KB. Next meeting to be held on Wed. Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 at the Warfield House Inn. All in favor JG, KB, TD, LM, GC.