

Brookline Meetinghouse Advisory Committee

Draft Minutes 07/12/17

7:00 PM meeting called to order. Present were Kerry Bourne, Peter Meyer, Lee Anne Parker

Draft minutes from 5/30/17 were read and accepted as written.

Fire extinguishers in the Meetinghouse were checked and found charged and within safety range. It was requested by the Select Board that each month our committee would be responsible safety checks. It will be noted in future meeting minutes.

Vermont Historical grant paperwork has been completed and a copy is at the Town Office. The planned repair work to the belfry roof and balustrade will be scheduled in the near future once a time that is acceptable to both Phoenix Roofing and Pete Newton is determined. Peter will finalize the rental of the lift at that time.

The Welcome Center Benefit of June 23rd was a successful fundraiser netting \$1800. Lee Anne will send a thank you note to UNFI and Peter will post the information to Front Porch Forum. The committee extends their thanks to all those in our community who worked hard to make it a success! To date the quilt raffle has sold \$147 worth of tickets and the booth Peter manned at the Strolling of the Heifers brought in \$120. Many thanks are extended to Mary Meyer for their generous assistance.

Peter will be receiving a Ladies Benevolent Society quilt that is being donated back to the Meetinghouse from a past raffle winner. It is the intent of the committee to hang the quilt in the Meetinghouse for all to enjoy.

The committee intends to have a booth at this year's Windham County Historical Society Fair on the green in Newfane on August 19th. We will be looking for volunteers to man the booth in 2 hour time periods. We will discuss this further at our next meeting and get back to Laura Bacon at that time.

Discussion was had concerning when and how to notify the community that the Meetinghouse will be open for community events. The Select Board will be consulted regarding what will be needed prior to then, we assume there will be a Use Agreement developed similar to what the Williamsville Grange employs. It is a goal to have the kitchen in working order by the end of the summer to make the building additionally attractive for events.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Anne Parker