

Nation's 250th Committee Minutes October 7, 2023

Present: Janet Allen, Patricia Jenkins, Laura Gund, Clara Kustra, Sandi Jenkins

Absent: Scott Bugbee, Marian Kelsey, Brian Seeley

- I. Call to Order 1:00 p.m.

- II. Jan Allen presented a draft 250th Committee Plan entitled, "Lee the People" for review and discussion (see attached).

General Overview: Town celebrations annually, focusing on three (3) historic eras:

- 2024 – Indigenous
- 2025 – Colonial
- 2026 – Revolutionary

Culminating Town celebration in the form of a parade, town "gala", and fireworks
Because the Nation celebrates on July 4th, the Committee discussed holding the Town celebration on Saturday, July 11, 2026.

Discussion regarding other local celebrations, what are other towns planning?

Clara Kustra volunteered to contact the Town of Exeter/Independent Museum.

Jan Allen volunteered to contact Janet Wall, NH State Legislature.

III. Discussion

A. Logo & Banner Design

- Utilize logo on all publications, notifications, marketing items, etc.
- Incorporate Town's (Seal) Logo
- "Lee the People"
- Banners for telephone poles

Laura Gund volunteered to discuss with Amy Daskal.

B. Website Design

- 250th Committee Website
- Facebook
- Who will design, approve, host, monitor, update?

Jan Allen volunteered to research potential resources.

C. Accessories/Marketing Items

- Re-publish Lee Cookbook (1976 Bi-Centennial publication)
Coordinated by Gina Gund / Catherine Moore
- Baseball Caps
Use existing Town of Lee baseball cap inventory
Have "Lee the People" embroidered on back of caps
Laura Gund to speak with Laurie Weiss
- Town License Plate (for limited time)
Jan Allen will research through Janet Wall
- Commemorative Items
Nation may be issuing a coin/stamp
State may be issuing a coin
Jan Allen will ask Janet Wall if she is aware of the issuance of these items.
- Aprons
- T-Shirts
- Tote Bags

D. Parade / Town Gala

- Ideas about parade route (bi-centennial route)
- Town Gala location? Little River Park, Lee Field (near Mast Way), Grange Hall
- Dress in Historic Costume
- Fireworks Display
- AG Commission (Bean Hole) Dinner
Laura Gund volunteered to discuss ideas with Erik Sawtelle.
- Time Capsule
Open capsule from 1976 Bicentennial
Ask individuals who may have contributed to 1976 to be present
Add (or replace?) new items for new capsule
Where is the 1976 capsule buried (by Mast Way School flagpole?)
Jan Allen to contact Mast Way School

E. Budget

- Town Budget
- State Grants

IV. Closing Actions

A. \$5,000 Budget Request

Jan Allen to discuss with Scott Bugbee

Suggested adding committee as a subcommittee (like to Heritage) as per town 250th.

Initial Expenses

- Logo/Banner Design
- Website Design
- Reservation Fees for 2024-2026 Celebrations (enactors, etc.)

B. Committee Meetings

- Agreed that monthly meeting initially.
- Next meeting: Saturday, 11/4/23 at 10:00 a.m.

Sandi Jenkins to coordinate and send request to Denise Duvall to schedule meeting space/post meeting.

C. Adjourned 2:30 p.m.