250th Birthday Celebration Committee
Town Offices
March 27, 2019  6 pm

Present: Peter Banister, Brenda Lessard, Eric Weber, Delia Crocker, Dan Nye, Tracy Magdalene
Others Present: Charlene Nardi and William Sayre

Peter Banister reported that Marilyn Fifield had to resign due to health issues. She will pass her stuff she collected to the committee.

Peter noted we have four solid dates with four solid locations: July 3, 2021 at Ellen Ames Field and the golf course. July 16, 17, 18, 2021 at the Williamsburg Center and Anne T Dunphy School.

We need to see if we need a private insurance rider for the events or covered under town insurance. We will budget $400 for an insurance rider.

Need to solidify where parking will be. Also parking for the fireworks at the golf course.

Tracy reported that we need to send solicitation letters out by the end of the summer, especially bigger businesses for requests that have to go through several departments. Tracy will send out letters to Easthampton Savings Bank and Greenfield Savings Bank soon.

Peter reported that the back of the school needs to remain open for the MSP demo.

Bill Sayre received an email from Double Edge Theater. They are interested in being part of the parade. They will require money possibly from town cultural council or state cultural council.

Discussed possible Paintbox theater participation, Trevor the Games Man, some Face painters.

James Kitchen does statues. Discussed having him do a small garden statue made from Williamsburg “metal” and holding a raffle to raise money.

Discussed a Williamsburg Photo calendar to sell for a fundraiser. Possibly a side by side historic/present day photo calendar.

Discussed talking with the Brewery about an Anniversary Brew or Cider made and selling at the events.

Discussed having possible horse and wagon for historic home tours.

Discussed craft fair, book sales, pancake breakfast and where proceeds will go. Discussed having the groups running them keep the profits.

Town flags: 25 minimum would need to be ordered They sell for $35 each flag.

Peter would like to see $100,000 raised for the celebration.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm