

3/25/19

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Persons in attendance

Cheryl Sadowski

Beth Taylor

Vicki Schwery

Diana Ingraham

Rachel Ricard

Jim MacBride

Secretary minutes reviewed from 2/25/2019. Revisions made. Motion made and second to approve the minutes as amended. Ayes have it.

Treasurer's report \$12,030.40. No additional funds. Motion made and second to accept treasurer's report. Ayes have it.

**Audience of citizens:**

PowerPoint Presentation to audience:

A great turnout where we shared our ideas and received positive feedback from the audience.

Jim made a suggestion to make a float for Memorial Day this year and future ones. Maybe get a banner to get the idea out.

**Banner ideastown seal, logo, Voluntown CT, Tricentennial, 1721-2021**

People from community volunteered to do the following:

YSB – offered to do the children's fishing tournament in April

Sterling Grange – Mr. Cooper from Sterling offered talking to the grange to put a dinner on for a fundraiser

Rich Ruppel offered to speak with the elderly for history gathering – Jim will try to follow up

Historical Society will work on October walking weekend and a speaker in March.

Tech schools can design a flier – Shannon Murphy will take the lead on this along with Facebook and Instagram

Rec Committee will do the coins and may do the January Bonfire and Christmas Tree Burn

Mini-Mudder – Skip Oulton??

We could ask people to submit photos that would add to the history of Voluntown of today.

Jack Wesa

Volunteers scour records – historical notes to recall the town history

Record oral history from older residents

Plant signs along main street

Trace family routes

Who the first settlers were and where to find where they lived

Invite residents to bring in old photographs

Mrs. Showalter on Wylie School who has descendants from Voluntown and knowledge of the past

For parade idea – contact the American Legion in Moosup

Check into the tribes – Mohegan and Mashantucket's Pequot Museum

Tracey

300<sup>th</sup> time capsule

Next meeting March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Community organizations to attend.

Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm. Ayes have it.

Library in Hartford has records of Voluntown

Historical Society to work on a speaker for March 2021

Kevin Johnson – CT State Library

Possibly adding a new plaque on the town green for the 300<sup>th</sup>. Can we find out who fought in that time period and place a new plaque.

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Camaro signs

Need to check with zoning to place banners, light pole signs and billboards

Eversource to contact for the light poles

Suchoki in Preston from the Bison farm has hosted a mini mudder

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**Old Business:**

Fundraiser ideas -

Bandanas with a map of the trails from Voluntown. Can go on the CT trails website and download a map. Jim will get that and forward to Vicki.

Jim will ask Ellis Tucker to come to the next meeting so we can ask about his ceramics.

Ornaments

Eric Steinhagen has knowledge of re-enactments and would be a good addition to a meeting

Dave Naumec is a contact at the Pequot Museum – Jim will contact

Motion made to adjourn and second at 8:12pm. Ayes have it.