

2025-04-25_DRAFT MINUTES

OLD BUSINESS

Review March 20, 2025 meeting minutes

Mark made several grammatical changes. Minutes approved as amended

Treasurer's Report

Erin met with MaryAnn (MA) Winograd, the Historical Society treasurer at the end of march. Their plan is to keep things simple. MA provided Erin with a copy of the monthly report that she does for HS. MA wants separate bank account so funds don't co-mingle. MA suggests that the TriC have their own PO box. MA presented this at the HS and she is all set for us to open a bank account. Erin will meet with MA next week to open the account.

- Erin also wants to talk about a control document. Erin in her work uses these to track how funds are managed. Erin was going to draft one but didn't want it be overkill.
- Erin will draft a control document and bring it to the next meeting but will meet with MA.
- Who will be the signers on the Canterbury300 bank account? Naomi and Heidi as chair and co-chair and Beth as secretary and person easy to reach. Erin will set up the account.
- What kind of thresholds for signing?
- Mark asks do we have any seed money?
- What about opening the PO box? Is it a problem with the bank? Probably not.
- Erin will open the PO box and pay and will keep her receipts

Chairs' Report

Co-chairs & Beth Blair submitted article to Church Newsletter with logos – received several comments

Lorri Heath likes option A

David Heath likes option Cc

Audry Knapp suggested simple, she likes word "Canterbury" and the dates as a banner

Another vote for TriC license plates (she lived in Sandwich) and for Logo A

The following are responses to survey about ideas for TriC Events as well as some further musings by the committee:

- Flag and Tshirts
- Shaylee photo shoot with vintage residents (Erin says Andover did it last year)
- Animals at Canterbury Fair and animal parade (Rick Crockford)
- Dale Cochrane comment – be sure to celebrate on the actual day of the tricentennial
- Challenge coin

- Bouncy house
- Flavored lemonade lady (will help, has had experience Loudon Old Home Days)
- Rachel Baker Library will support the TriC in multiple ways (special logo, elkins speakers all TriC, will promote TriC thru their social media etc.)
- Jane Hastings sent a long Email with many ideas to the Canterbury300 Email (Insert her list?)
- Another vote for TriC license plates (Visitor from Sandwich)
- Pastor Becky would love to see giant puppets in the parade!
- Tricentennial Booth at the Canterbury Fair in the Schoolhouse? What will we have, who will take shifts?

Reviewed Draft of Mission Statement

Copy of Mission Statement attached. All approved

Committee Contacts

- Drafted list of Town departments, commissions, societies, store, schools, churches
- Emailed 1st contact letter to those
- Compiling a separate list of Town Businesses to contact
- Still working on additional businesses

Website

- Met with Alan Stone and discussed a working & interactive TriC web page. Naomi and Hiedi see his draft on April 28 and then CHS on May 12. Naomi suggested looking at Gilmanton's website and Alan said ours will be better!
- To consider: Should TriC give money to the HS for the use of their website? Will discuss further when we have a budget and actually have some money.

Status of active projects –

- First letter / invitation has gone out to the town groups.
- Heard back from Rebecca Plu. CES-PTO happy to participate.
- Add list of who letters already went out to / Beth will see if she can track down her TBD
- Add CBS (Canterbury Benevolent Society) to the list of groups

Heidi

Garden Club, Grants & Golf Event

-- She contacted them Garden club

-- Got information from William G Pomeroy Foundation. They do offer grants to hometown heritage outside of NY. Subject must have happened 100 years from the year of your event. All they will do is a plaque that could go on the bench or statue of our choice.

-- Golf Event – no update

Sam

- Asked Chris at post office about special hand-cancelled stamp for 2027. Naomi will follow up with Chris.
- License plate. Called the prison and called DMV and we have all the information. Start with state commissioner / Sam forwarded info to Naomi // Need a design must include name of town, years, and something about 300 // Camera ready mock up. // Sam says the prison can do the mock-up // Beth will design one for next meeting. GOOGLE NH Cover plates Goffstown and gillmanton.
- Heidi also looked into a moose plate (cultural resources)? State doesn't know if they will be running this program. Letter from Amy Dixon of Dept of natural and Cultural Resources.

Beth –

- Quilters (will meet May 14) and barn quilt
- Tabaitha riley and runners
- Robotics
- Steve Allman brew “1727” beer (in name only as Steve says the actual beer of 1720 was not good!!) Will talk to him further. Maybe he will brew for the “Taste of Canterbury” Farmers Market picnic.

Evan

- land Acknowledgement / he presented to the Board of Selectmen

Jayne Hastings

- Email (

Mark

- Current temporary reluctant Chair of Ag commission, and he brought up to the commission about being involved. Ag comm interested but didn't know how. Oxen pull, sheep shearing, draft horses? They will brainstorm and talk at future meetings
- spoke with Karen Gingich, Enrichment teacher at CES and will use the TriC as a theme in 2026-2027 if she's still there
- Memorial day service, traditionally organized by Mark and Rachel. In 2027 maybe Jeremiah Clough and the fort in town? Reached out to speaker
- Canterbury Tales this year is 1775 (revolutionary war) but in 2027 will relate to founding fathers of Canterbury
- How many veterans in town cemeteries? About 145-150 that we place American flags on memorial day. Question asked “Can we design a canterbury flag in addition?” Mark thought this would detract of honoring a veteran with an American flag for their service.
- Mark cornered Erin at Canterbury Shaker Village. She will sit down with staff and brainstorm ideas.
- Mark speaks about “Windows To the Wild” (William Lang is the host and Mark is co-host.) Fred Brewster asked Mark to ask producer about Canterbury TriCentennial... they said not appropriate for Windows to the Wild, but might be appropriate for “Our Home Town,” Rebecca rule is the host. PBS might be interested!

Naomi

Naomi asked Albert Powers (a Clough) who lived in Naomi's house to be part of it. His aunt Mary spoke at the 250th Canterbury celebration. He is ailing and may not make it to 2027. Maybe he could be recorded.

Teresa

-- She was going to musicians Jay Unger and Molly Mason (they have composed music for Ken Burns). It's a possibility, they don't know their schedule and they didn't say how much. Teresa will continue the conversation with them and see if she can get a few more gigs in the area at the same time to make it worth their while.

-- Teresa asks about the fiddlers picnic? They used to do it in town, and she would be willing to organize it again. Mark asks how does it relate to it TriC? Maybe the hook is the Story of the "Fiddler's Lot" (the point of land where Morrill Road comes into Kimball Pond Rd.) Both Sam and Mark knew the story. Maybe we could give the Fiddler's a deed! (summer activity)

NEW BUSINESS

- Sam spoke to Carol Lake of Wilson road. She will be at the meeting in May with mock up of commemorative medal and more info from foundries.
- 1st Draft of Sub-Teams & Roles
See list from Email attachment "LIST OF COMMITTEE_interests.pdf" sent April 18

WORKSHEET for Draft Events (to come)

Bill motions to adjourn / Mark seconded / adjourned 8:45pm

May Meeting date – 22nd @ 7 pm, Meeting House

To do for May meeting:

- subcommittee reports
- Beth license plate design

Canterbury's Tricentennial (1727-2027) Committee

Tricentennial Committee Overview

Our Mission:

The purpose of the Tricentennial Committee is to lead the town in a yearlong celebration that commemorates Canterbury's three-hundred-year history (1727 – 2027), engages all Canterbury residents, and celebrates Canterbury's heritage and enduring tradition of community spirit.

Oversight & Membership:

The Tricentennial Committee is a sub-committee of the Canterbury Historical Society, and shall be comprised of local community volunteers, including one or more members of the Board of Selectmen. The Committee will periodically share progress with and report to the Canterbury Historical Society for concurrence and guidance on plans and activities. The Committee will also communicate with the Board of Selectmen to share information and seek approval when needed.

Key Activities & Tasks:

- Plan, manage, and deliver a series of events and activities for the cultural, educational, and recreational benefit of the community that will serve to commemorate Canterbury's heritage and lead to a greater awareness and appreciation of our history.
- Conduct outreach to and solicit input from the community on events and activities residents would be interested in attending, volunteering for, and participating in.
- Partner with local businesses, schools, non-profits, and town departments to cultivate events that appeal to a wide array of residents and friends.
- Encourage and support other community groups and organizations to embrace the Tricentennial theme and conduct activities and hold events that highlight their own group's mission and their connections to Canterbury.
- Establish a committee plan, team assignments, and activity schedules to track progress, needs, and challenges leading up to the Tricentennial celebration.
- Establish budgetary needs and develop a strategy to fundraise and obtain sponsorship for the Tricentennial, as well as manage associated financials.
- Develop a strategy for and establish a communications plan (e.g., email, newsletter(s), postings, signs, online presence) to share committee progress, solicit and track feedback, and promote interest in activities leading up to and during the Tricentennial celebration year.
- Create a master calendar of events and develop marketing materials to highlight and outline information about the events associated with and hosted by the Tricentennial Committee, its partners, and friends of Canterbury.
- Provide progress updates, request guidance, and obtain concurrence for events and activities that warrant Historical Society and Town oversight and approval.