

Shutesbury 250th Anniversary Steering Committee
June 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes
Shutesbury Town Hall

Members present: Janis Gray and Maryelise Lamet/Co-chairs, Karen Traub, and Linda Avis Scott/Secretary

Meeting opens at 9:35am.

Minutes for the 3.10.17 meeting are approved, as amended by Gray, Lamet and Traub; Scott abstains.

Minutes for the 10.3.16 meeting are unanimously approved as presented.

Gray: Danielle Kovacs has placed the 250th approved introduction on the UMass Special Collections website. Gray sent the "Deed of Gift" signed by herself in the presence of a witness to Kovacs; return of a copy signed by Kovacs is pending.

Traub provides an update on the status of her "Shutesbury Relics": at this time, Trustees of the Library are not ready to accept the relics, therefore, she spoke with Kovacs and is considering setting up a Shutesbury Historical Society.

The 6.11.16 minutes are reviewed relative to establishing a "special history collection". Gray reads from these minutes: "The creation of a seed fund to support a local history collection to be overseen by the Trustees of the Library is pending approval by the Trustees. Traub, with concern for the time necessary for the project, suggests revisiting the topic and consider using the funds to sponsor a 250th "reunion event". The current balance is \$160.71. Ideas for use of the funds are brainstormed: a booth at Celebrate Shutesbury, a showing of "The Tavern of Time" at the Shutesbury Athletic Club, a cemetery walk, and a gift to the Trustees of the Library. Russ Wilson and Town Administrator Becky Torres accomplish the hanging of the copy of the original charter gifted by Senator Stanley Rosenberg and Representative Steve Kulik. Lamet: there is a need to find a place for the remaining 250th booklets.

Committee unanimously agrees to remain in place into FY18.

Tentative plans are made for a 9.16.17 Celebrate Shutesbury booth and showing of the "Tavern of Time" at the Shutesbury Athletic Club on a later date.

Traub moves representatives of the Committee attend a meeting of Trustees of the Library to offer a seed fund, of at least \$100, to establish a local history collection; Lamet seconds the motion that passes unanimously. Gray and Scott will attend an upcoming meeting of the Trustees, most likely 7.17.17.

Next committee meeting: 8.14.17 at 9:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00am.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Avis Scott, Secretary