



Tricentennial Committee Minutes

Date: Monday, November 14, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Town Offices
Gilmanton Academy
503 Province Road
Gilmanton, NH 03237

Members present: Chairman Vinnie Baiocchetti, Vice-Chairman Adam Mini, John Dickey, Greg Downing, Paula Gilman

Public Present: Thom Dombrowski

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

When the Board of Selectmen appointed the Committee, they named Vinnie Baiocchetti as the Acting Chairman and Adam Mini as the Acting Vice-Chairman, at the meeting, the Committee approved those positions.

This was the first meeting of the Gilmanton Tricentennial Committee talk by John Dickey about the 250th in 1977 and that it was tied in with the United States Bicentennial.

Discussion around funding for the event was talked about. Public, private and a combination of public and private funding was talked about.

The Committee then entered into a round-table discussion about what this event was going to look like and there was a lot of discussion about this being a year-long event with some type of event happening on the day of our Charter which will be May 20, 2027.

Some of the events that were talked about were:

1. Cemetery Tours
2. 4th of July Float
3. Old Home Day Event
4. Events at the Kelly School House
5. Building Tours
6. Road Race

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There was also talk about having some family events, Gilmanton trivia and Town of Gilmanton History.

Some of the fundraising thoughts were:

1. Challenge Coins like we had for the 250th and 275th Celebration
2. State of New Hampshire License Plates for the Tricentennial Year
3. A competition to design a flag for the Town of Gilmanton

There was discussion about getting sponsors for the event as well as finding people to help with marketing and promoting this event. This included banners and publications.

There was talk about involving the public in sub-committees and breaking these events down into smaller, more manageable pieces so that people could get involved in parts of this event that most interested them.

There was discussion about interviewing some of our residents that have long standing history in Town and capture these interviews on video and publish them in smaller formats for people to view. There is an emphasis on bringing celebrating the 300th Anniversary of the Town of Gilmanton but to also educate everyone on the rich history and famous people that came from Gilmanton or made our town what it is.

Next Meeting was set for Monday, January 30, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.