

BROOKLINE TOWN HISTORY COMMITTEE

March 14, 2016

MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Brookline Town History Committee was held on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Safety Complex Meeting Room.

Chairman Keith Thompson presided.

Members of the Board Present: Eric DiVirgilio
Nancy Reinbold
Dan Marcek
Donna Corey
Scott Grzyb
Vicki Pope
Bob Ottavi, Secretary

Members of the Board Absent: Rebecca Nelson

Also in attendance: Irene Thompson
Andrea MacFarlane
Roy Wallen
Sid Hall

MINUTES

Nancy moved to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2015 meeting. Dan seconded. Passed unanimously.

Nancy moved to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2015 meeting. Dan seconded. Passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE

Peter Cook has resigned from the committee. Thanks to Peter for all his time, help and support. He indicated he might be able to help us from time to time.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

The warrant article for \$10,000 was passed at the town meeting. There was also a handout at the meeting summarizing the town history project, estimate of book size, why we are asking for the funds and to invite people in the town to contribute ideas, stories, anecdotes, photographs or anything else that could be used for the project.

EDITOR and WRITERS UPDATE

- Sid re-iterated that the writers continue making progress. The writers should not be too concerned about making the writing perfect since it will be edited later.
- Andrea MacFarlane and Roy Wallen expressed an interest in helping out with the research and writing. They signed up for some subjects. Thanks to Andrea and Roy for stepping up and offering to help. Andrea will also help Scott indexing the oral histories. This indexing will help the writers find relevant subject information.
- Everyone gave a progress update on writing assignments. If anyone is interested in writing or researching other topics, let Sid know.
- Sid will still be having one-on-one discussions with the writers versus taking up time in the monthly meetings. He will arrange times with the writers.
- Sid will be sending everyone an updated spreadsheet with writing and research assignments.
- It is best to have the original photos, not just a picture of a picture. If we don't have the original photo, then we'll use the best method we can.
- The Brookline Historical Society has 400+ photos that can be accessed on their web site.
- Scans should be 300dpi.
- Scott said the Our Place newsletters are being scanned and on the Google drive soon.

STORIES MATTER

Scott and Donna will do more testing to determine if Stories Matter will give enough value to the project to justify using it.

INTERVIEWS

Nancy is continuing her interviews. Scott may be attending some of them.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10pm, Dan moved to adjourn the meeting. Nancy seconded. Passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday April 11, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Safety Complex Meeting Room.

Submitted,
Bob Ottavi, Secretary