

# BROOKLINE TOWN HISTORY COMMITTEE

March 13, 2017

## MEETTING MINUTES

A meeting of the Brookline Town History Committee was held on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30pm at Big Bear Lodge.

Chairman Keith Thompson presided.

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

Members of the Board Absent:     Rebecca Nelson  
   Dan Marcek  
   Donna Corey

Also in attendance:                   Roy Wallen  
   Louise Eldridge

### MINUTES

Nancy moved to approve the minutes of the February 13 2017 meeting. Eric seconded. Passed unanimously.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Louise Eldridge and Roy Wallen are interested in joining the committee. Keith will talk with Tad to start the process of adding Louise and Roy to the committee.

### EDITOR & WRITERS UPDATE

- Louise gave an update on unassigned topics. There are still a good amount of topics which still need writers. We reviewed her list and there are some of the businesses that Nancy and Vickie will look into. Keith reiterated that we need to continue the effort to get writers on the unassigned topics. Need to be done with writing by end of year, and preferably earlier.
- Bob will look for the notes when he and Nancy interviewed Betty Hall and send them to Nancy.
- Vickie will be getting notes from someone on the history of the Lions Club.
- Scott met with the Rec commission a while ago and the idea is to get current and past members together and come up with some history of their organization.
- Louise has got some of the bios from the committee. Please send your bio if you have not done so.
- Vickie will look into getting someone to take pictures of the committee and writers. We should have consistency of the photos.

### TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLE

Scott suggested at the town meeting to pass over our \$5,000 warrant article in order to support Brookline's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration warrant article. We still have another year to ask for more funds if needed. We all voted in favor of this recommendation in order to ask the town to please support the town's 250<sup>th</sup> commission.

### TECHNOLOGY

Continuing to work on Stories Matter DB indexing. Vickie is helping.

Scanning of the Brookliner publications should be done by the end of the month with help of high school students. The students may also be able to help with the indexing. Scanning of the Brookline News and Our Place are done and each is in a single pdf file. Having all the issues of each publication in a single document will help searching.

Scott has made Parker's History of Brookline eBook searchable.

Scott has cleaned up the Google drive.

Scott said our need for data storage has increased and will cost \$100 per year. He also purchased a scanner, which allows two sided scanning and larger page sizes at a cost of \$184.99. The committee approved these expenditures.

### ADJOURNMENT

At 7:20pm, Scott moved to adjourn the meeting. Eric seconded. Passed unanimously.

### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday April 10, 2017 at 6:30pm at Big Bear Lodge.

Submitted,  
Bob Ottavi, Secretary