Bicentennial Committee Minutes

Tuesday December 1, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

PRESENT: Diane Olson, Carl and Judy Brehm, Sandy Payne, Terri White, Katherine Humphrey, Wendy Stevenson, Ray Shaw, Rick Osiecki, Terri Lee Kuznicki, Patricia Hillyard, Larry Gnau, Wayne Coger and Sue Mack, and Judy Tripp-Neu, (15 people)

Town Councilman Steve Cowley moderated the meeting.

Representatives from the following organizations were represented by those present.

Planning Board

Springwater United Methodist Church

Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church

Springwater Trails Hiking Group

Genesee Country Express

The Lake Country Weekender

Springwater Rod & Gun Club

Fiddler's Fair

Springwater~ Webster Crossing Historical Society

Springwater American Legion Post 905

Town of Hemlock & Hemlock Canadice Webmaster

Calendar of planned events was reviewed. As of this date, the calendar looks like this:

January 5, 2016 - Next Bicentennial Meeting

February 13, 2015 - Valentine's Day Steak Dinner and Dancing

February 13, 2016 - Pickerel Dinner at noon Springwater Rod & Gun Club

March – open for Legion events on St. Patrick's Day

April 17, 2016 - Founder's Day (Church service, Chicken BBQ, Presentation by Sen. Catharine Young)

May 7 & 8, 2016 - SWCHS Museum Mother's Day events

May 14, 2016 - Bullhead Dinner Springwater Rod & Gun Club

May 28, 2016 - Open House at Springwater Center

May 30, 2016 - Memorial Day rites and parade

June 4, 2016 – Arts & Crafts Show (SFD)

June 4 & 5, 2016 - Springwater GALA - Saturday (SFD) and Sunday (GALA Committee)

July 2 & 3, 2016 - Town-wide yard sale, hot dogs at UMC, Old-Fashioned Baseball Game at Larry

Canute Memorial Park, and Civil War Re-enactment and Encampment at SFD

July 16, 2016 - Gun Raffle & Steak Dinner - Springwater Rod & Gun Club

August 11-14, 2016 – Old-fashioned Revival Larry Canute Memorial Park – begins at 6:30 p.m. each day

September 17, 2016 - Fiddler's Fair

October 22, 2016 - Springwater UMC Turkey Dinner

October 29, 2016 - Halloween Ball - family event DJ Music - refreshments and prizes 7-11:00 p.m.

November 12, 2016 – Veterans Day Dinner at Springwater American Legion Post 905 TENTATIVE

November 24, 2016 -- Thanksgiving

December 10, 2016 - Springwater UMC Christmas Bazaar

December 10, 2016 - Parade of Trucks SFD Christmas event TENTATIVE

December 25, 2016 - Christmas

Katherine Humphrey was asked if she had information on farm visits (an idea that many suggested several months ago) – she said yes, and will submit individual Event Sheets for them

Sue Mack gave committee a copy of a flyer for Open House at the Springwater Center, 7179 Mill Street, on May 28th, 2016. Information was read aloud including times for specific events that include a tour of the facility, Sitting & Walking Meditation, a Talk, group dialogue, vegetarian luncheon and a hike from 9-2:00 p.m.

Wendy Stevenson put in information from Parks & Trails regarding every third Sunday in 2016 being dedicated to a historical site hike experience. Hikes during the cold months start at 2:00 p.m. and in the warm months run from 4-6:00 p.m.

Pastor Ray Shaw reiterated that his church, Springwater United Methodist, 8001 S. Main St, has a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. on January 12, 2016 for the success of the Bicentennial..

Steve Cowley asked for a volunteer to moderate the next meeting. Terri White agreed to do it.

Discussion was held on when to start press releases and distributing information. Diane Olson said she would prepare one and have it ready for review at the next meeting.

Steve also stated he has put every bit of the Bicentennial information on a thumb drive and has all the required documentation ready for whomever takes on the Bicentennial Committee as a moderator appointed by the Town Board.

He also stated the mailbox he rented at the Springwater Post Office cost \$50 for a year and he paid that. He also stated the \$38 earned at the last Bake Sale he would use to reimburse his expenses with the \$12 remaining to be considered a donation from him. All present agreed that would be fine.

Items still pending:

- Farm visit information
- Fall Festival
- Square Dance at Gene Miller's barn to be planned by Herb Tinney
- National Color Guard presentation possibly by Jason Skinner, Veterans Officer Mt Morris

Respectfully submitted,

Judy G. Tripp-Neu Secretary