

Deering 250th Celebration committee meeting  
March 18, 2024 Meeting started 6:35 PM

**In Attendance:** Lou Ellen Beard, Ed Cobbett, Jeannette Anderson, Betsy Kirby, John Reynolds, Amanda Ryan, Karen Reid, Mike Reid, Chuck Wood, Nick DiGeronimo, Michelle Johnson, June Holm

Meeting minutes:

- 1) Sales at Election Day town hall \$1075.00  
Sales at town meeting \$640.00 Total for both days \$1,715.00. Sold out of hoodies Tuesday Betsy was going to order more.
- 2) Talked about kid friendly items to sell and t-shirts for summer and beach towels with town seal on it. Betsy will bring samples so we can see what they will look like for the next meeting.
- 3) Plan to sell merchandise at these places. Jeannette Anderson has asked for permission to set up at Tractor Supply, on Saturday Agway on Saturday at their customer appreciation day. Jeannette and Mike Reid will set up at the Fish and Game fishing Derby and Nick, John, and Betsy will be there to help if needed.  
Dates we will set up to sell swag.  
April 6, Town Hall  
April 27, Fishing Derby  
May 4, Farmers Market/ craft show  
June 1, Rhubarb Festival June will see if she can bring swag with her for free.  
All events Jeannette will coordinate.
- 4) Food Trucks Saturday, Jeannette found out Cona Ice can set up Saturday costs \$300.00 if they don't make that in sales. We decided not to have them because their prices are a little high for what we wanted. Tommy Wood Pizza will set up waiting on contract to sign from him. Betsy's friend with hot dogs and slushy will be there for

free. Ed Cobbett will check with Jen from Connolly Farm from Temple about Ice cream cups.

- 5) **Tom Rush Concert**, Lighting and sound is over \$4,000.00. Tom Rush is not charging us, we will sell tickets. And if you like to get Tom's new CD it will cost \$15.00 to \$20.00 extra. **Stage:** we were going to use John Reynolds hay wagon, but Chuck Wood offered his equipment trailer and we will decorate.

**Taylor Rental** 10 tables and 300 chairs is \$2,020.00 this includes setting them up, taking down and moving to Fish and Game. **Porta potties** are \$445.00 with handicapped and regular and hand sink.

- 6) Sue Thomas from the Deering Library has volunteers to help over the 3 day event.
- 7) Michelle Johnson from the Historical Society will kick off the event Friday night at the East Deering Church building. Once it's all clean there will have audio playing, text pictures. Bobby Compton has made portable displays that are beautiful to post this on. The 250th committee will help them with donating food items to go along with the Historical food plans, and they will have music and more.
- 8) Amanda will work on a Facebook page with Nick and QR codes and banners. Need to measure the size of the banner for the side of the Town Hall building or in the yard. Will ask to get this on the agenda for the April 4 Selectmen meeting. Will ask about the banner on build first then if not ask about the banner for the yard.
- 9) Farmers Market/Craft Fair Ed has 30 applications out 18 paid taken in \$380.00
- 10) Messenger Paper: Ed will find out the price for ads. Right now the layout is free, printing we pay for. The paper will be the old 1975 to 2024 with new ads. The cost is \$5.00 per copy to print time frame at the end of March when paper can be done.
- 11) Lou Ellen will write letters for donations.
- 12) Meeting ended at 7:57 PM
- 13) Next meeting April 8 2024 6:30 PM Fish and Game

Respectfully Submitted,  
June Holm

