



February 2, 2016

Bath Business Association Meeting Minutes

Present: Jody Konstand, Kathy Sidaway, Liz Scott, Ellen Otto, Nancy Fay, Don Corbett, Dick Sutherland, Marie Dusini, Jorge Sanchez, Kristin Sanchez, Michael Ackermann, Naomi D Agostino, Catherine Sterle, Sarah Rauschenbach

1. Meeting called to order at 5:30pm.
2. Minutes from January approved as read, Cathy and Nancy.
3. Mary Anne reported to Jody that there is \$7,650.74 in the treasury.
4. Jody shared the Membership Report: 90 members on the roster, 10 outstanding, a notice has been sent.
5. Township news-Vito Sinopoli sent the following update: the year-end reports for each department are available on the website. Kathy spoke on Walk and Talk with the police department, how the officers will go into businesses and talk face to face with individuals, building relationships with the community.
6. Committee reports:

Publicity-Kathy and Jody-the new BBA officers were announced in the West Side Leader.

Social-Nancy- the monthly meetings are going to be held at different locations periodically. Nancy passed around a calendar of events listing meeting dates, locations, as well as other events.

Refreshments for the March 1st Revere Focus Group meeting was discussed and determined.

Sponsoring/donating benches for Bath Heritage Corridors Wayside Exhibit was discussed. Jody explained the history of the BBA and its correlation.

Welcome Bags-Marie had 22 names for Oct, Nov, and Dec. She delivered 13 and then ran out of supplies. Marie needs more items to put in the bags; items can be dropped off at the Bake Shop. Tags to identify the bags was discussed, she expressed that it's been questioned where they are from.

Garage Sale-The topic of the Garage Sale was skipped over for now.

Scholarships-Don will be putting together a committee of four. Information was sent to Walsh, CVCA, Hoban, and Lady of the Elms; received a positive response from all. The awards banquet will be held May 20th.

7. Open Discussion:

-Jody spoke on the Revere Focus Group. The purpose is to do strategic planning for the future. Our feedback will help give a feel for what the community is thinking and aid them with their plan. This is an opportunity to hear what they would like to do and to answer any concerns or questions. Ellen requested that we each have a question prepared so we can be a responsive and interactive group.

-Liz was unable to be at the meeting but she wanted to pass along that there will be a Cookie Tour planning meeting before next month's meeting at 4:30pm.

-Jody shared that she received an inquiry all the way from Alaska regarding the Road Rally. An article that Kathy submitted caught attention and permission was requested to put Bath's rally on their national road rally site.

-Jody touched on how the scholarship money is distributed.

-Catherine passed out information and a schedule of events at Hale Farm. The Maple Sugar Festival is their next event which usually draws in around 500 people each of the four days.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 1st, 5:30 p.m. in the Trustees Meeting Room