

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP- 250TH ANNIVERSARY TASK FORCE
MINUTES
APRIL 29, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairwoman Toby Spitzer called the meeting to order at 2 PM in the Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ. Those assembled saluted the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: John Crane, Kristen Fox, Gwenn Gilmore, June Kennedy, Hillary Klimek, Chris McManimon, Sean O'Grady, Toby Spitzer, Denise Szabo, Lisa Winter
Absent: Lisa Dudzik, Mary Pavlini, Susan Carlsson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[2/11/10](#) – Motion by Szabo, second by Gilmore and unanimously approved.

[2/25/10](#) – Motion by Szabo, second by Gilmore and unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2010 Budget Review

Szabo reported a written commitment is forthcoming from Galloway and Crane for the \$1500 monument needed for the Time Capsule.

McManimon announced that he has already purchased, and is contributing, the supplies for the Commemorative Stamp, therefore the \$284.00 was removed from the expense line.

Motion by Fox, second by McManimon, to include the Tile Project as an approved 250th Project Initiative, at a cost of approximately \$400, based on funding now available. All in favor.

UPDATES FROM PROJECT COORDINATORS

Time Capsule – Toby Spitzer

The mayor is still pursuing funding from Summit Medical Group for the \$2600 time capsule. A model of the capsule will be displayed at Charter Day.

Memories of Bernards – Kristen Fox

The dates of the event are 10/15/10 at 7 PM and 10/16/10 at 2 PM. An additional date may be added.

Charter Day – Sean O'Grady

The committee finalized logistics and assignments for the 5/15/10 event.

Navy Band – Denise Szabo

Tickets are being distributed and preparations are going smoothly for the 5/25/10 event.

Commemorative Stamp – Chris McManemin

The stamps are ready for both the Basking Ridge and Liberty Corner post offices. The Postal Service will have them available at their booth on Charter Day.

Commemorative Magazine – Denise Szabo

The cover has been finalized and the vendor is soliciting ads. Articles are being authored by Deputy Mayor Malay. Publication is planned in September.

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Schools

Fox made a presentation to the Board of Education on the various projects of students in honor of the event. The Task Force agreed to post the presentation on the township website.

The essay contest winners have been selected and will be announced on Charter Day.

The Liberty Corner School 250th Anniversary Quilt, designed and constructed by 3rd graders, will be displayed at Charter Day and permanently housed in Liberty Corner School.

The Ridge High School Tile Project will also be displayed at Charter Day. The final location of housing has not yet been decided.

Newsletter/Publicity

Winter and Klimek are working on the next newsletter publication which will focus on Charter Day.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MEMBER COMMENT

McManimon brought forth a proposal by former member Jaye Barre. "Hands Across Bernards" would be held at 7 PM on 5/24/10, in honor of the actual date of signing the charter. The emergency whistles will sound and church bells ring at the prescribed time in honor of the event. The police chief has already approved of the concept.

By unanimous consent, the 250th Task Force agreed to endorse the event, and in addition will ask all residents to display their American Flag on the date.

The committee agreed to put together a list a volunteers, and contributors, for the various events to be displayed on the website.

The committee also agreed to put together a list of project which will be displayed at Charter Day for the website.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Szabo, Acting Secretary