

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP- 250<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TASK FORCE**  
**MINUTES**  
**MAY 27, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Chairwoman Denise Szabo called the meeting to order at 4 PM in the Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ. Those assembled saluted the flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: John Crane, Kristin Fox, Gwenn Gilmore, June Kennedy, Hillary Klimek, Chris McManemin, Sean O'Grady (4:15 PM), Denise Szabo

Absent: Mary Pavlini, Susan Carlsson, Toby Spitzer, Lisa Winter

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Tabled.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

2010 Budget Review

Szabo reported that sales of Bernards Bucks at Charter Day yielded \$581 in revenue. Township CFO/Administrator has indicated that the money will be applied to the 2010 year budget to offset expenses. All Task Force-approved projects have now been budgeted for and covered by budget appropriations and revenues collected.

**FINAL REPORTS**

- a. Charter Day – Due to Pavlini's absence there was no report. Task Force member agreed Charter Day was successful and well attended.
- b. Navy Band – Szabo reported the Navy Band was enthusiastically received by the community and played to a full house at the RHS Arts Center. Almost \$3000 in gift cards were collected at the door which will be presented to Lyons VA returning vets.
- c. Commemorative Stamp – McManemin reported that the Bernards Bucks sold on Charter Day were distributed in envelopes containing the commemorative stamp. These stamps will be available for 60 days through township post offices. A press release will be drafted so that the community is aware of the initiative.

**UPDATES FROM PROJECT COORDINATORS**

Time Capsule

Tabled due to absence of Spitzer.

Memories of Bernards

Kristin Fox reported on program planning.

Discussion ensued about how to involve more community organizations in the event, since at this point, the initiative primarily involves the school community.

By unanimous consent, the task force agreed to offer table space in the lobby of the RHS Arts Center at the Memories of Bernards performances, to non-profit Bernards Township organizations to display their own organization's "memories."

The Task Force then debated whether to sell tickets to the event or to allow free admission. In an effort to promote the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration, and because the costs of the program have already been budgeted for, by unanimous consent, the task force agreed to provide this event free to the public.

#### Commemorative Magazine

Szabo reported the vendor is currently in the process of soliciting ads.

### **SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Schools

Kristin Fox reported that a Krishna Trambadia, working on her Girl Scout Gold Award, has volunteered to put together a collage/scrapbook of this 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year. The task force unanimously supported the volunteer effort and Ms. Trambadia will be invited to attend the next meeting.

#### Newsletter/Publicity

Klimek reported that Volume 9 of the newsletter has just been published.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **MEMBERS COMMENT**

Kennedy reminded members that the next scheduled 250th event is June 13 - "June in June" at the Bernards Twp Library, where she will be presenting never before seen artifacts and their history.

O'Grady also reminded members that July 6 there is a "Concerts in the Park" scheduled at Pleasant Valley Park which is an all Americana Program.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise Szabo, Acting Secretary