

New Baltimore Bicentennial Committee

Meeting Minutes

Feb. 21, 2009

Members in attendance: Cliff Baldwin, Clesson Bush, Rev. Susan Kerr, Susan McCuen, Arlene McKeon, Betty Nickles, John Nickles, Chris Norris, Joyce Schoenig, Jeff Schoenig

- **Call to order by Joyce Schoenig at 10:10**
- **Introduction of committee members**
- **Introduction by Chairlady Joyce Schoenig. Discussed the commission by the Town of New Baltimore on the establishment of a committee to coordinate the celebration of the town bicentennial in 2011.**
- **Goals of this meeting: 1) to establish a committee title.**
 - 2) Begin work on an official logo.**
 - 3) Begin work on a website**
- **After a short period of discussion it was decided to name the committee the NEW BALTIMORE BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE (The NBBC) with the catch phrase of "200 YEARS OF COMMUNITY". Understanding that the acronym NBBC shall also be synonymous with NEW BALTIMORE BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.**
 - **Discussed the design of a web page to keep the community informed of the purpose and progress of the NBBC. To also have this web page attached to the town web site**
- **Discussed the importance of coordinating with all our community organizations, families, churches, businesses, etc. to contribute their histories.**
- **Current operating budget for the NBBC is \$0.00. Discussed avenues of fundraising. Clesson and Arlene will also research additional options.**
- **Discussion on the format of a NBBC logo. Proposed incorporating the talents of our local artists. Joyce will coordinate.**

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- **General Ideas:**
- **Videotape interviews of our town residents with ties to the past, present and future. Clesson & Jeff along with Dick Brooks and videographer Matt Long will interview several of our neighbors starting with Cliff Baldwin. Suggestions on individuals to interview are welcome.**
- **Preliminary ideas to have an official “kickoff” of 2011 with a New Baltimore First Night Celebration.**
- **John suggested A “Clams & Apples” picnic. Done in the style of when local farmers in 1910 traded barrels of apples to merchants in Boston for barrels of clams. (Fundraiser?)**
- **Suggestion by Sue McCuen to do a “Historic Walk Of The Papermill Path” coupled to The River Ramble held in September. Good publicity and may be utilized as a fundraiser.**
- **Discussion on the importance on the collection of New Baltimore stories. Specifically to collect the written stories of our neighbors depicting the interesting events of their lives in our town.**
- **Committee members suggested and discussed other ideas for celebration along with several ideas on other avenues of fundraising which will be discussed further in future committee meetings.**

Future Meetings: March 21 at the New Baltimore Town Hall. April 18. May 16. All meetings will be 10am to noon.

Meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Jeff Schoenig**