



**TOWN OF
BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN HISTORY COMMITTEE**

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***Minutes
Town History Committee
Monday, August 12, 2019***

Committee members present: Keith Thompson, Bob Ottavi, Jack Fallon Vicki Pope, Peter Webb, Louise Eldridge, Gail Chaddock, Roy Wallen
Absent: Dan Marcek, Donna Corey, Nancy Reinbold, Eric DiVirgilio

At 6:30pm, Keith called the meeting to order at Bruschi Hall.

Approve Minutes

Vicki moved, seconded by Peter, to approve the minutes from the Monday, July 8th, 2019 meeting. Voted Yes 8-0.

Book Sales

Books were delivered on July 15th and moved into the town hall. From there they have been distributed and at the historical society and the library.

Keith is talking with Tad about selling books at the town hall. Working on the logistics of how this would work with minimal impact to the staff's time.

Peter went to Toadstool Bookstore in Milford to see if we can sell the books there. Since they need to make a profit, they want a discount on the full price of \$35. They were asking for a large discount but we will propose a 20% discount (\$28). Peter will follow up with them. Roy will talk to someone at the Toadstool Bookstores in Peterborough and Keene.

Jack will look into the restaurants in town to see if they would be willing to sell the books for us. Jack will also talk to Jim at the transfer station. Keith will let Tad know of our plans. Parkers Maple Barn is also a possibility. Gail will talk to them and the Cozy Tea Cart. Maybe Camp Tevya would let us set up a table at campers pick up day. Once a business in town has agreed to sell books for us, we can put something on our Facebook page and our website thanking the business for their support in selling the book.

Vicki brought up the idea of reading the corresponding section of the book in places like the church or the legion to spark interest.

About 100 books have been picked up and we have currently sold over 300.

We reviewed the dates for staffing a table for picking up and selling books at the library, historical society and town hall. Most slots have someone committed to being there.

Keith will talk with Friends of the Library to see if we can have a table there at their October event.

We should publicize where and when books will be sold or can be picked up.

We need to think more about an index and discuss it at the next meeting. At that time we will have a better idea of monies remaining and we can then make a plan for generating the index and make it available electronically versus in print. The consensus was to have Sid do the index, making use of remaining funds, and then decide what if anything we had to do to create a decent index. Keith will get more clarification from Sid on what the cost would be.

We have donated a book to the state library. Several libraries have ordered one.

We should also send a note to local historical societies that our book is available..

Technology update

Nothing new to report.

Next Meeting's Agenda

Next meeting scheduled for September 9th, 2019 at Brusck Hall to review book sales and any other topics brought up by committee members or attendees.

Keith moved, seconded by Gail, to adjourn the meeting. Voted Yes 8-0.

7:50pm meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Bob Ottavi.