

Minutes from the Halifax Community Club Meeting on April 10, 2017
1581 Hanson Road, Halifax VT

Trustees: Laurel Copeland (Pres, Clerk), Gretchen Becker (VP), Joan Courser, Dorie Mirucki

Members: Marilyn Allen, Bonnie Brown, Art Copeland, Lynda Copeland, Edie Fenton, Linda Lyon, Heidi Schmitt, Julie Copeland, Linda Huebner.

Unable to attend: John Kirk (Treas), Mary Horne, Penfield Chester

AGENDA

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Balance in the bank is \$14,619.32. Year to date major expenses are Suburban propane \$1066.21 and Green Mountain power \$206.59. Year to date Tai chi is \$176.00. Dues \$40.00. Monthly income is \$377.53.
We have an insurance payment due next month in the range of \$1000.
Art put in \$5 cash for Julie Copeland's membership. [gave to Joan to give to John Kirk]
2. **ACTION:** Joan will ask the inquiring party how much they want to put up and then have HCC raise the remainder, if they like the picnic table idea. – **Done.** They gave JC \$50 against the \$700 table. How about a tree? Votes in favor: 8, abstain: 5. [POST-MEETING UPDATE: It turned out that hundreds of dollars had been donated in the Town office therefore HCC will buy the table as previously planned.]
3. **ACTION:** Marilyn will ask Patty Dow to place notebook in the Clerk's Office. – **Done.** We have 23 listings; some people have too much work to risk being listed (but think it's a good idea).
4. **ACTION:** Dorie will go house to house over the next 2 weeks. – **Done.** Has 2 more people. Donnie Derby & Justin Hill live in Halifax and have a business in Wilmington. OK? Yes. Halifax residents or people with a business in Halifax can be in the directory.
5. **ACTION:** Marilyn will make 1 more poster to be posted at the town office with the notebook into which businesses can be written. – **Done.** Some people are cautious. Targeting 1st Edition by May 1st. New couple in former Alboum place on Collins Road. Names?
6. **ACTION:** Laurel will type up any business cards obtained. – **Done.** Dorie has more names.
7. **ACTION:** Sunday June 4th early afternoon 2-6 PM. – Not the 5th!
8. **ACTION:** John will send invitations to all contributors to HCC. – No Update.
9. **ACTION:** Bonnie: Patty Dow would have names of new residents. – **Done.** Put in a call to Janet Taylor; will ask Patty Dow for names.
10. **ACTION:** Joan will put announcement in Newsletter. – **Done.** Joan gave Laurel a list from Patty Dow of new residents. EF: we need more years of data – new people the past 5 years.
11. **ACTION:** We need a poster for June 4th Community Potluck. Joan & Laurel will ask Katie Shafer on Friday at Senior Meal. – **Done.** She has the final content but CHECK THE DATE! Yes, we told her June 4th. 2-6 PM. How about 4-6 PM?
12. **ACTION:** Bonnie is willing to take it to a printer. – **Still true.** Posters are for around town.
13. **POTLUCK PLANNING:** revised poster wording; Linda can get supplies from BJ's; Joan says there is lots of coffee in the freezer. HCC should supply drinks. The water at the Hall is not drinkable; you cannot even cook with it. IDEA: have each new person stand up and introduce self? Too structured. Some people do not like to. BB – should we invite some

town officials? Linda suggests best to make it as simple as possible. Name tags? Yes. Raffle? No. Town Jokes? [no decision]

14. **ACTION:** Gretchen will ask Chris Parkins what he had in mind / can do about computer lesson. – **Done.** Pricing – computer course more complicated than some other classes so maybe give the \$5 donation to Chris, or ask for \$10 and split it between Chris and HCC. Others: better to avoid categorizing other types of instruction as less valuable than computer instruction. Discussion about having internet access. HCC could introduce the idea / Chris Parkins then let interested persons follow up with Chris Parkins directly. Linda L: can leave business cards at potluck. Library has internet if want to offer something about using the internet. Art offered use of this kitchen and his wifi.
15. **Directory concerns:** If we know someone does bad work, should we include them in the Directory? Yes. Directory is not an endorsement. Is HCC liable then? No, Town already has a listing, we are just adding to it.
16. **ACTION:** Volunteers are needed on the Hall lawn crew. Porch benches need to be painted. Pick up sticks from the yard. Joan and Edie spent 3 hours last spring (fall?). How about a Spring Bee? How about Sunday May 7, in the afternoon.
17. **New Business** - Linda: we have had another activity for the Hall ... Rick Hurley and Kim Tine Home Repair, Collins Road, where Else Gayette lived. They have 4 children, very hard working. Kim would be willing to staff the Ice Cream wagon 2x / month. Can we begin to educate the public about how to leave the Hall when it's open? Use the bathroom, leave it neat. Edie – we used to do that. Linda: it would be a nice place in town for people to drop by, congregate. Dorie: busy, really hard-working. Joan: I think someone from HCC should be there. The Ice Cream Wagon is the only thing bringing money into the Club. I trust Kim, but HCC is responsible. At least at first. Linda Huebner: is the Historical Society going to be open? People could do both things. Art: you could become one of our docents, then you could go any time you want. Dorie: want to get ...various people... together; that bodes well for the future. Joan: did we determine that there would be someone there the first couple of times, besides Joan? Gretchen: yes. We need dates. Other: should be someone who has worked on it before. Joan: There are 3 dates HCC needs the Ice Cream Wagon. Fireman Auction **1st Saturday of July**, Rowe Old Home Day **3rd Saturday of July** (orange pineapple ice cream required!), Halifax Clam Bake **1st Saturday of August**. Potluck is Sunday June 4th.
18. **501c3 Application:** Check was returned to Joan. Much later the application was returned to Laurel – EIN incorrect. Edie will check it on a statement and call or email Laurel.
19. **Money Maker Brainstorm session:** Music events. Bluegrass not jazz. 5K run or ankle-biter. Suzannah Keith – singer.
20. **Noted:** John Kirk bought 2 planter barrels for the Halifax Community Hall.

Revised text of poster sent to Katie on April 10 2017 follows:

Halifax Community Potluck

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Welcome, friends & neighbors!

Catch up with what's happening in Halifax

Bring a dish to share

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Sunday June 4, 2017

4 PM-6 PM

Halifax Community Club, 20 Brook Road, West Halifax, VT

End of Revised text of poster sent to Katie on April 10 2017.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Laurel is not available for the next regular meeting on May 8th.

Options include: have the meeting without a Clerk (awkward), skip the meeting, reschedule the meeting to May 1st or May 15th. [POST-MEETING UPDATE: May 15th chosen]

Calendar of 2017 HCC Events:

Apr 21 – Potluck Poster ideas from Katie Shaifer

May 7 – Spring Bee on Sunday afternoon

May 15 – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm – ~~date TBD.~~

Jun 4, 1st Sunday of June – Potluck in the Halifax Hall, 4-6 pm

Jun 12, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm

Jul 1, 1st Saturday of July – Firemen’s Auction

Jul 10, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm

Jul 15, 3rd Saturday of July – Rowe Old Home Day (orange pineapple ice cream required!)

Aug 5, 1st Saturday of August – Halifax Clam Bake

Aug 14, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm

Sep 11, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm

Oct 9, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm

Nov 13, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm

Dec 11, 2nd Monday – HCC 2017 Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm