

Agenda - Halifax Community Club Meeting on May 15, 2017
1581 Hanson Road, Halifax VT

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

Members: Bonnie Brown, Art Copeland, Lynda Copeland, Edie Fenton, Linda Lyon, Heidi Schmitt

Unable to attend: John Kirk (Treas), Mary Horne, Penfield Chester, Julie Copeland, Linda Huebner, Dorie Mirucki, Marilyn Allen

Meeting convened 6:54 PM.

AGENDA

1. Treasurer's Report:

- a) 45 letters sent to new residents (full and part time) and significant donors (who are not at our meetings) inviting them to attend the potluck June 4th.
- b) Cash as of 5/7/2017 -- \$14,696.70. [\$10,000 reserve for Hall maintenance.]
- c) In the last month we paid \$275 for the 501c3 designation and \$1089 for insurance and \$303 to Suburban Propane.
- d) We have received \$875 in checks designated for Charlene Martynowski's picnic table (and some additional cash).
- e) The Green Mountain Power bill for April (\$86.58) is about double the March expense
 - a. Edie noted that we don't have to pay tax on those power bills now that we have 501c3 designation
 - b. Power bill: the Hall was rented 3x, and they were long parties; that may have increased the power usage.
 - c. Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously.

2. **Memorial Picnic Table** – Perkins Home Center in Chester gave Joan the card of man who builds picnic tables. 6'x6', edges rounded, center umbrella hole, spruce, pressure-treated legs, attached benches: \$385. See picture. Cons: needs finish. May be stolen. Concrete pad with bolt & chain would secure it. Rest of funds: pad, security chain, umbrella, bush. Ask Rounds whether he would put 3 coats of polyurethane.
3. **Directory of Halifax Businesses** – Laurel will submit what we have to Town webpage (Robin). We can have some informal copies at the Potluck and Town Clerk if Patricia Dow OK's it.
4. **Potluck on Sunday June 4th** – Potluck arrangements well underway. Notice from Sue Kelly to Halifax Conservation Club. Bonnie will send a notice to Robin Gabriel for Town website (halifaxsecretary@gmail.com). She will send notice to FPF now, too. Jacksonville General Store. Whitingham Library. Halifax School & Halifax PO & Halifax Town Clerk. Street corners. School website? Bonnie will ask Sandra Pentak-Cohen (Principal). Art has 3 plastic tablecloths for serving tables. Bring hot mats. Bonnie will clean the day before (June 3). Need help to set up. Serving spoons, turn on hot water 24 hours in advance. Will buy ice. Half & half. Linda Lyon can bring 2 insulated jugs for potable water. Can use Edie's water. Joan & Bonnie have notes. Joan's brother's birthday is June 3rd so Joan will be in NJ that weekend. Find out whether Katie Shaifer (poster designer) & Adam Morrow are coming; they know how to run the coffee brewer. Bonnie will oversee clean-up. There are 8', 6', and 4' tables plus small card tables. Historical Society membership sign-up/table – also a poster (Art & Laurel). Name tags & markers would be nice – list your street! Vegetarian ID cards for dishes. BJ's cheaper than Staples for name tags. Need 1-2 tables with greeters.
5. **Names of New Residents from Patricia Dow** - Bonnie is borrowing the 5-year list.

6. **Poster for Potluck from Katie Shaifer** – Bonnie has exemplars of 2 sizes and laminated posters. More have been ordered.
7. **Chris Parkins computer consultant** – Do we want to announce this as part of a series of Halifax business presentations? Do not schedule when there is a select board meeting. Maybe schedule between the blocks of Tai Chi sessions.
8. **Halifax Community Hall maintenance.**
 - a. Lawn – spring bee was 5/7. Lots of raking. Pots of plants – mostly catmint is left. Marilyn might put something perennial in there. Wave petunias – no need to deadhead. Edie has 10 million ladies’ mantels. Someone needs to take over the barrels. Laurel will water & weed.
 - b. Katie & Adam seeded the lawn edge.
 - c. Porch benches need to be scraped & painted after you take the commemorative plaque off very carefully. No paint spills on porch. Okay to spill paint on grass. Where are the other 2 benches – in the shed? Door is sticky.
9. **501c3 Application** – achieved! Hooray! Hard & e-copies are available for those making purchases on behalf of HCC.
 - a. Donations are now tax-deductible as of 4/12/2017
 - b. A trifold could be made or a fold-over / flyer with a tear-off donation form
10. **Money Maker Brainstorm session**
 - a. 5K race at \$20 per registrant along the Brook Road (nice & flat). Rent a wheel or use Wayne’s so it’s accurately measured & marked. Numbers & pins. Prizes not necessary for adults. Bananas & oranges. Need a Timer. “Run Like Hell for the Hall!” Post on Vermont Sporting website. Heidi volunteers to find out how to set up and where to rent the timer. All registrants must sign a waiver.
11. **New Business:**
 - a. **Meetings are too long.**
 - b. **Can we cut down the bush by the kitchen? What is it? Ask Liz Hull at 368-2911. It has lovely blossoms.**
 - c. **Visit Dorie in Bennington Rehab back of the hospital in the mornings.**
 - d. **Linda Lyon will work on the Annual Appeal (LAC will email last one).**
 - e. **Penfield Chester’s Gentle Yoga is really good. She teaches well. She has some extra mats. Block & straps.**

Meeting adjourned 8:11 PM.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Monday, June 12th, 2017

Calendar of 2017 HCC Events:

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 – Laurel is out of town – reschedule HCC 2017 Regular Meeting?

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