

MEET ME IN SUNCOOK!
Minutes of Meeting
October 5, 2010

Present: Noreen Bean, Joyce Belanger, Gerry Belanger, Mariette Brissette, Joan Bussiere, Jocelyn Carlucci (chair), James Garvin, Vincent Greco, Joyce McKay, Roger Menard, Larry Perron, Jan Shichkin.

1. Chair Jocelyn Carlucci called the meeting to order at the old Pembroke Fire and Police Station at 7:10 p.m.
2. On a motion by Jan Shichkin, seconded by Gerry Belanger, the minutes of the meeting of September 8, 2010, were unanimously approved with one correction: "Suncook Water Works" should be "Pembroke Water Works."
3. Noreen Bean delivered the treasurer's report, as follows:

<i>Balance on September 7, 2010:</i>	\$3,526.40
Expenditures:	
Reimbursement to Roger Menard for costume	60.00
Old Home Day Committee for aerial photo of Suncook	20.00
Reimbursement to Jocelyn Carlucci for frame for Suncook photo	11.00
Income:	
Associate members' dues	50.00
<i>Balance on October 5, 2010:</i>	\$3,485.40

4. On a motion by Larry Perron, seconded by Mariette Brissette, the treasurer's report was unanimously approved as presented.
5. Roger Menard reported no sales of minutes on the town clock.
6. Jim Garvin and Joyce McKay reported no further updates on the Buck Street Dam project.
7. Noreen Bean reported on her work to place the contents of the vault in order. She and Mariette are working together and are numbering items. They encountered articles of incorporation for the Old Suncook Village Vitalization Committee, which preceded *Meet Me in Suncook* in the early 1980s and with which Ingrid was deeply involved. Gerry Belanger recalled that the Conway [Massachusetts] School of Landscape Design was employed as consultants to create a fresh vision for the village. He suggested investigating whether the town retains records of the Vitalization Committee. If so, the vault items would be duplicates, and *Meet Me in Suncook* could retain them in the vault as part of the history of efforts to revitalize the village. If the town does not retain such records, Gerry suggests that we turn Ingrid's copies over to Town Hall. Jocelyn volunteered to check the storage area of Town Hall.
8. Noreen reported that she has spoken with Sue Hartrick, now living in Andover, N. H. Sue confirmed that the Suncook Bank piggy banks, originally placed with *Meet Me in Suncook* as a loan, are now our property.
9. At the September meeting, Joyce and Gerry Belanger suggested that we make up six or seven packets describing Robert Frost's connection with the Suncook River, and explaining why we are

suggesting the use of the town-owned parcel of land on Buck Street as a tribute to Frost. Gerry presented a one-page draft of his proposed presentation to the selectmen. The committee suggested a few changes, and Jim Garvin offered to re-type the page and send the revised document to Gerry. The committee noted that the large-scale plan of the lot that had been provided to Jocelyn is confusing, and does not show dimensions that demonstrate why this lot is an “unbuildable” parcel. Jim Garvin offered to measure the depth of the lot and draw a simpler plan of that part of Buck Street, showing this and adjoining lots.

10. The committee noted that our first opportunity to present our idea to the Board of Selectmen would be at their meeting on the first Monday in November. It was suggested that perhaps the first Monday in December would put less pressure on Jocelyn. Jocelyn reported that Conservation Commission chair Ammy Heiser had offered to attend the meeting when we present our plan to the selectmen. She also suggested that perhaps the proposed bench, which will have only a few words inscribed on it, be accompanied by some sort of sign with interpretive text similar to that of our proposed state historical marker near Buck Street Dam.
11. Jim Garvin will update Mrs. J. Willcox Brown on progress on the project with the possibility that she might be interested in making a donation.

New Business:

12. Jocelyn suggested that *Meet Me in Suncook* might hold a fundraising event to provide further funds for maintenance of the town clock. Jan Shichkin suggested an exhibit of nativity scenes, old and new. Gerry Belanger noted that when the clock was restored, the town agreed to spend \$500 per year for its maintenance for four-year intervals. On the fifth year, \$5,000 was supposed to be appropriated for major maintenance of the exterior of the tower, etc., in order to keep the town clock looking and operating in good condition. Because Gerry felt that the clock was a town commitment and not a responsibility of *Meet Me in Suncook*, he suggested that if *Meet Me in Suncook* wishes to hold a fundraiser, we focus the effort on another project such as purchasing the proposed state historical marker commemorating Robert Frost.
13. At the September meeting, Gerry Belanger showed the committee a set of 1912 Sanborn Fire Insurance maps of Suncook Village. On a motion by Doc Greco, seconded by Larry Perron, the committee then agreed to offer the maps to the Pembroke Water Works. Larry Perron reported that he had examined the maps and found them to be filled with valuable historical information. Jim Garvin affirmed that he has used copies of these and other Sanborn maps to provide background for previous walking tours. Despite seconding the vote at the September meeting, Larry came to feel that *Meet Me in Suncook* should keep the 1912 maps for research purposes. He went to the Pembroke Water Works and suggested that they copy the maps and return the originals to *Meet Me in Suncook*. He noted that Map 5 of the seven maps is missing. Joyce McKay will search for Map 5 and make a copy if possible.
14. Jocelyn asked the committee to suggest a theme for Old Home Day in 2011. Suggested themes should be reported at the January meeting of the Old Home Day Committee.
15. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2, 2010 (Election Day), at 7:00 p.m. at the Old Pembroke Fire and Police Station.
16. On a motion by Joyce McKay, seconded by Joyce Belanger, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
James L. Garvin, Secretary

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2010 MEETING DATES

January 5

February 2

March 2

~~April 6~~

May 4

June 1

~~July 6~~

August 3

September 7

October 5

November 2 (note that this is Election Day)

December 7