

Hyde Park Community Circle Minutes
April 22, 2019 @ 5:30 p.m.
Lanpher Memorial Library

Participants: John and Judy Clark, Jenna Decker, Susan Hayes

1. Select Scribe (Susan) & Time Keeper (John)
2. Any changes to the agenda (none)
3. Financial Report (Deb)
 - Current bank account: \$6,619.97
 - Deb sent a thank you note to the HP Village Improvement Association for the \$100 donation
4. Think Spring – Puppets & Plants Evaluation
 - Set-up crew: Did not have access to the storage closet with extra tables and chairs as in past years. Will want to make a note of this for next year, to be sure we have access.
 - Location of donation basket (in the back) did not work well. Should be up front.
 - Note that we did not the flower PP slide show this year...
 - Cupcakes and sandwiches were spot-on, # wise. Had extra cheese sticks and some extra drinks (milk and cider).
 - Decision to not put mats out...did not hear feedback either way. Antonia and Susan decided that it invited kid shenanigans so did not put them out!
 - Placement of craft table went well.
 - “Rinse and repeat” nature of this event works in the HPCC’s favor. Relatively easy to pull off!
 - Complaint from Polly MacArthur about puppet show including a moment where a dog gets kicked. She sent the HPCC an email as well as the puppeteers. HPCC will not take any further action at this point.
 - Potential for future events to tie-in with CLiF grant opportunities? (Through HPES, library, etc.) Also may be future opportunities to apply for Vermont Community Foundation funding.
5. Discuss HPCC 2019
 - Membership – Report back on HPCC prospectives
 - Tom and Karen Weeks willing to help with events but not attend regular HPCC meetings (Deb)
 - Mike Wickenden said he would help with ice cream social and Home Day but will not attend regular HPCC meetings (John Clark)
 - Deb still waiting to hear back from Abby Sherman and Caroline Jones...
 - Fern Farmer (committed to volunteering elsewhere)
 - Judy has asked Kathy Geiersbach to check with her daughter, Anne
 - Roland and Debbie Lajoie – Judy will check with them later this summer once Debbie has retired...
 - Judy sent email to Fran and Charlie Aronovici but has not heard back yet.

- John will check with Jeff Beattie regarding Home Day (Jenna can check with Jeff's wife, as well.)
 - John spoke with Adam Lory who agreed to help with the parade this year; not interested in regular meetings.
 - Gerette Buglion – willing to help but not interested in attending regular meetings.
 - Ron Kelley – professional photographer; would be good to check in to see if he will take pictures again this year.
 - Jedediah Hyde Ice Cream Social Chairs
 - Third Monday evening in July (July 15). Cookies, ice cream, live music, lawn games, etc.
 - Dan and Mike Wickenden will chair the event with John.
 - Hyde Park Home Day – Select Chairs
 - Need to make a decision at the May 27 meeting as to whether to move forward with Home Day this year (and determine who will organize each facet of the event, should the group decide to move forward.)
 - Third Saturday in September (September 21)
 - Parade, tea tent, live music, children's activities (down Commonwealth Ave.), vendors/organizations in the area, raffle
 - How to increase interest in participating in Home Day?
 - Suggestion to use wording like, "We are celebrating all things Hyde Park and are offering you a complimentary space to share your business/organization with the community." We invite you to participate in other ways, as well, including through sponsorship, the raffle, etc.
 - Jenna happy to contribute to the planning for Home Day this year! John can help with the parade, as well.
 - Hyde Park Lighting Ceremony – (Schedule) Select Chairs & plan with new ideas
 - Establish a subcommittee to explore strategies to boost interest/participation in the lighting ceremony.
 - Jack and Sharon Anderson have some great ideas for the lighting ceremony.
 - Potential for wagon rides?
 - Sing-alongs? With Lamoille County Players, HPES students, church choir?
 - Potential to broadcast event on social media? (Already taped by cable station.)
6. HPCC Sweat & T-Shirts (Jenna took hers. Stored at Library to hand out at next meeting)
 7. Jenna went to high school with the creator of "One Town at a Time" documentary based off the 251 club...he has visited all of Vermont towns and is putting together a film capturing the essence of his experiences. Potential to host a screening here in Hyde Park? <https://www.onetownatatime251.com/about>
 8. Next Meeting – **Monday, May 27, 5:30 p.m.**, Lanpher Memorial Library