

## Grand View Meeting September 9, 2009

The meeting was held at the Town Hall Annex at 7 PM. Attending the meeting were Co Chair Nick Rubino, Rob Zahora, Toni Faria, Hope Paulsen, Judy Wasserman, Brenda Cahoon, and Sonia Rollins. In addition an interested resident, an interior designer Christina Marie.

Phase II - The budget status will be discussed at the next meeting with Town Administrator Bob Mercier.

Sonia reported SEA would tie in with Shawsheen and the Grand View project. In addition, that the floors are being put down in the front room and the end room of the house that was originally a shed is now being worked on.

Publicity - Judy Wasserman - Commemoratives may be sold at the Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting and at the Fall Fair on the common.

All thank you notes have been sent to the donors for the friends of Don Sleeper.

Judy will continue with the publicity on Grand View.

Web site - Rob Zahora & Amy Warfield - they will add an updated committee list and picture when it is provided. Sonia explained that the appointments stand until a member quits. They do not have a term.

Rob will also do an update on the Fall Fair.

Buy a Brick - Bill McDonough. There have been 351 bricks sold. 280 "4x8", and 71 "8x8" Two blank bricks for every engraved brick will form a pattern. Phase I orders have been closed. We will now begin the Phase II brick orders.

The bricks will be delivered soon. In addition, the work will begin the next day. The address of Grand View is 55 Center St.

The location of the bricks was studied in a walk around with Town officials and the Grand View committee the previous week. The final decision was to locate the Phase I bricks in the bump out in front of Grand View near the driveway on the left of the house. Perhaps benches will be added as well as landscaping.

Sonia reported that Shawsheen will do the brick work as well as interior work at Grand View, upon approval of The Building Dept. Mr. Jim Sullivan, the teacher at Shawsheen will be in charge of the installation of the bricks. All agreed that it is a community effort.

Commemorative Items - Janet Atkinson will take order forms and funds will be sent to Kevin. The order forms will be located at the COA, the Recreation Dept., and at the polls.

Fall Fair on the Common - Toni Faria. Nick is providing a tent for the display. A Grand View coordinator will be needed with help from the members. The bicentennial of Abner Marion's birthday will be noted with a birthday cake for the public. (Sonia to coordinate the cake, and Janet to coordinate commemorative item sales) A possible tour of the inside of the house will be included as well as the sale of commemoratives.

Nick is looking for a contractor to donate 100 hay bales to the Fair. Toni will check on delivery location and call Nick. It was suggested that the High School "Adopt a Class" program could help with set up on Saturday. Hay Bales could be sold to raise funds for Grand View.

Ribbon Cutting - A date in October will be set soon. An approximate date is the 17<sup>th</sup>. Sonia and Kevin to coordinate the ribbon cutting event.

Miscellaneous - Co chairman Nick Rubino passed out the catalogue and order forms. They will be distributed to the Town Hall, Library, and C.O.A.

The cost of a one page insert in both local newspapers was \$ 488.00 +/- for the recent brick forms. It was suggested to sell items and give out the order forms at the polls.

The GRV committee agreed to donate an afghan to the BHS Music Boosters for their fund raiser. Brenda to coordinate this effort.

The next meeting will be held on Sept. 23, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted, Toni Faria