



East Windsor 250th Anniversary Committee
October 2, 2018
East Windsor Historical Society

The October 2, 2018 planning meeting for the 250th Anniversary Celebration of East Windsor met at the Osborn House at the East Windsor Historical Society.

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm.

Attendance:

Present: *Paul Anderson, *Ceil Donahue, *Diane Lajoie, Kirk Montstream, *Scott Morgan, Debbie Talamini, *Rebecca Talamini, *Tom Talamini, *Bill Thim *Lynne Tracy-Thim

Absent: none

*indicates steering committee members

Minutes Reading:

The minutes for the September 18, 2018 meeting were reviewed.

Paul Anderson made a motion to accept the September 18, 2018 minutes; Bill Thim seconded the motion. The motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

We are done! We survived the year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Time Capsule Committee: The Time Capsule Burial was on Sunday September 23, 2018. The submissions were thoughtful and varied; they truly represented both East Windsor and 2018. We were able to fit all of the submissions into the time capsule. The exact location of the buried time capsule is recorded at the town hall so they will be able to find it in 2068. Carol Hall, Chris Davis, Bob Maynard and Rebecca Talamini spoke at the ceremony. The invocation was led by Reverend Dr. Thomas V. Calderone from the First Congregational Church of East Windsor in Scantic, and the benediction was led by Reverend Stuart H. Pinette from St Marianne Cope Parish.

The Time Capsule was lowered into the ground at exactly 2:50 pm. Joe Sauerhoefer dug the hole, lowered the time capsule, covered the hole, and evened the landscape around the time capsule.

Events Committee:

The events were successful. We hope everyone enjoyed them.

Fundraising Committee:

Tom Talamini suggested we should add Abby's Helping Hand to our list of charities receiving our leftover money since Joe Sauerhoefer did so much to help with digging up the 1968 time capsule and burying the 2018 time capsule.

Tom Talamini made a motion to add Abby's Helping Hand to our list of charities receiving our leftover money. Bill Thim Seconded the motion.

The bills for the Police Department and Smith Bus Company will go directly to the town

hall. Rebecca will update the spreadsheet and email us the budget monthly so we don't need to meet until January. Rebecca will be sending thank you notes. The money for the postage is covered under the \$2000 limit we set aside for miscellaneous Heritage Day expenses.

Promotion and Merchandise Committee:

We sold \$859 in merchandise at Heritage Day. Baseball caps are sold out; we only have knit hats left. Coins are still available for purchase. The leftover merchandise will be sold until January at the Trolley Museum, Broad Brook Library, and Town Hall.

Girl Scout Patch: The Girl Scouts are asking for permission to create an EW250 logo patch that the girls can earn. Since there isn't a copy write infringement, Rebecca will email the logo to the head of the Girl Scouts so they can create the EW250 patch.

Heritage Day Signs: Only the signs at Scout Hall and in Windsorville are left to be picked up.

Heritage Day Committee:

Heritage Day was a success. Many people attended the picnic after the parade. Some went home during early evening, but most returned after night for the fireworks. Thanks to our fireworks sponsors and donated pyrotechnic talent, the fireworks display was one of the best in recent memory.

EW Heritage Day Spirit Award: The 2018 Spirit Award Winners are Mary Havner, Ana-Maria Davis, Bill Thim, Lynne Tracy-Thim, Barbara Sherman, Paul Anderson, and Rebecca Talamini.

Parade: There were over 40 entrants in the parade. The parade was filmed for us using a drone. The following are the winners of the parade prizes:

Broad Brook:

Reichle Farms Best Business Entry

Melrose:

Bethany Baptist Church Best Civic/Military/Public Service Organization

Scantic:

1st Congregational Church of EW Best Float Entry

Warehouse Point:

Hartford Proud Drill, Drum, Dance Crop. Best Sound/Movement/Performance Entry

Windsorville:

Ron Masters Best Vehicle Entry

Israel Bissell:

Associated Light Horse (Dave Loda) Best Horse Entry

Grand Marshall:

EW Republican Town Committee

Advertising/Social Media Committee:

Anthony Branciforte's article is in the JI today. He did a great job as usual.

Rebecca and Lynn posted photos and videos of both Heritage Day and the Time Capsule Burial on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/EastWindsor250/>.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- The next big anniversary in town is 2019: the Broad Brook Library's 100th anniversary.
- Kirk Montstream wanted to express on behalf of the Historic Preservation Commission that the core people of the EW250 committee did a great job for the town of East Windsor.

- **Donated Gift Certificates:** We have six gift certificates that were donated for our horseshoe tournament. Unfortunately no one signed up for the tournament. We will give the gift certificates to Abby's Walk for their raffle.
- **Eversource Update:** The electric meter is still on the picnic grounds. Bill called Eversource and found out that they had pulled out the meter, put in a spacer, and replaced the meter. It is "turned off" now. Our bill for the parade/picnic weekend's electricity is \$15.83.
- **Committee Thank You:** Rebecca gave the members of the EW250 committee the Police Department Specialty Coins as a thank you for our two years of dedication to the committee.
- Until next year....

**Scott Morgan made a motion to adjourn. Bill Thim seconded the motion.
The meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Lajoie