



## CAB Monthly Meeting Minutes June 13, 2017

### Members Present:

Teresa Drown of Bangor Savings Bank, John DuBois of Sacopee Eye Care, Jeff Gilliland of Sacopee Vet Clinic, Beverly Russell of Sacopee Vet Clinic, Scott Rowley of Scott Design, Photos by Rowley, Ethel Phinney of Cornish UCC, Patty Rowley of Bolt, Tiffany Parent not Finding the Puddles.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

A quorum was established.

Secretary Report: Patty Rowley presented the May 9 Meeting Minutes and they were approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Teresa Drown reported the activity since the November meeting. There were \$1220.15 in deposits and \$672.60 in expenses. There is a balance of \$3423.98. Report was approved unanimously.

### Event/Committee Chairs

Scholarship Committee - Brad is on his way to Alaska so he sent a report. The committee chose graduating senior at Sacopee Valley HS, Justice Ohanasian. Bev who was on the committee elaborated why they chose her over the others. She plans to go into social work and join the Peace Corp. She will be attending the University of New Hampshire in the fall.

Membership Committee- Teresa reported there are two more members. Subway and Cote and Howe.

Strawberry Festival - Beverly reported that there are still vendor spots available. Shannon has not heard from the volunteers she emailed to help with the festival.

Business After Hours - Katti Webb-Simpson sent a report. The BAH she hosted in April at Dental Hygiene Associates was successful - 20 people enjoyed food and prizes and mingled. The next Business After Hours will be at Sacopee Veterinary Clinic in August! Details will be sent to members. She has good suggestions for marketing these events. Please contact Katti if you would like to host or any have questions.

Community Committee - No report

Community Harvest and Bazaar event - Teresa reported we have 30 paid vendors! Some farm produce. The banner should be ready this week.

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Apple Festival - Patty reported that letters and applications will go out to vendors next week. Josh Gurley contacted Scott as he will be having an Antiques event at the Cornish Fairgrounds on the same day as Apple Festival. He is requesting that we share the cost of a van/bus to transport people from the fairgrounds to Thompson park. We agreed to share the cost. We discussed asking businesses to sponsor it to help us fund it. We will need additional volunteers.

Restroom- Pat Edgerly has been hired to open, close and clean the restrooms daily. Bev Russell reported that she painted the outside of the restrooms and there is wood damage and water damage on the door frames and the bottom of both doors that needs to be addressed before winter. The signage also needs to be replaced.

Marketing- Scott reported that the website is finished! There are some technical issues to be fixed but he will send a link to members this week! He showed us the site and how it works! Brochures are available (at Bolt).

Open Discussion - Tiffany brought up the issue of The Laughing Grass Inn at the Cornish Inn. This is an event planned at the Cornish Inn for 3 weeks in August/September. We had a discussion and members expressed concern about the event, the location (in the historic district, next to church and library), the legality, fire and code concerns, and the impression that our businesses and the area supports this. There is a website [www.thelaughinggrassinn.com](http://www.thelaughinggrassinn.com) and some of our businesses are listed under **local guide**. If your business is listed and you have not given permission and don't support this, email or call to have them remove your business. (Email and phone is on their website under **contact**) Please contact the Town of Cornish with questions or concerns about this. Scott will be forwarding a sample letter to members that you can use to send to the Selectmen expressing concern. CAB is a Federal 501C Non-Profit Corporation, therefore we fall under federal laws.

Next meeting - We voted that we would **not** meet in July and August!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm

Next meeting is September 12 at 7:00 pm at Cornish UCC

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Rowley