



The Minutes for the CAB Meeting July 14, 2010

The first "moving" business meeting was held at The Clipper Merchant Tea Room on Wednesday, July 14th at 7 P.M. (The meeting date was moved to Wed. so that people could attend the Saco River Festival Concert Series in Cornish.) There was a social to begin the evening allowing businesses to get to know one another better. The Clipper Merchant Tea Room graciously hosted the group and provided an elegant dessert buffet. Members were also given an opportunity to view their establishment. A larger group than usual attended the meeting including: the host, Cornish Historical Society, Scott Design, Nurturing Tranquility, Midway Country Lodging, Sacopee Valley Eye Care, Bangor Savings Bank, Cottage Treasures, The Barking Rose Quilt Barn, and The Cottages at Oak Hill Farm. In addition there were three visiting groups who joined CAB during the evening. They include Scenic Roots, The Jeremiah Mason House B&B and Dirty Constructors/ Cyr Industries, Inc.. Welcome to all of you.

After the social hour the meeting was called to order by President, Scott Rowley. Before business was conducted our speaker, Dana Roffler, from the Maine Tourism Association in Fryeburg gave an enjoyable and informative talk about the tourism function in Fryeburg. She passed out materials to show what they provide to visiting tourists. She explained how they try to feature our area and suggested ways we could encourage visitors to come and spend time in Cornish in addition to the already enticing attractions. She mentioned canoeing, hiking, bird watching, bike riding and horseback riding as venues to enhance the desirability of the Cornish area. She gave CAB a lot of great ideas.

The Business meeting then continued. The Secretary's Report was read and approved. The Treasurer reported receipts from 1 poster sale and 1 new member totaling \$85.00. (The member requested listing in 2 places on the web site which was the reason for the higher membership cost.) Expenses came to \$194.00 leaving a balance of \$6,360.89. The 3 additional memberships added during the meeting will be reflected next month. This brings CAB membership to 54 for the year.

I. Current Business

- A. FAB-CAB Merger –** The first order of business was the vote about the merging of FAB with CAB. The motion had been circulated by email or delivery to all CAB members before the meeting. After a brief discussion the vote was taken and unanimously approved. Welcome FAB members many of whom are already CAB members.
- B. Apple Festival –** The Cornish Apple Festival was discussed. 18 vendors have already signed on for booths. A question arose about a new vendor concerning overlap in food service. It was voted to allow the vendor as long as he did not duplicate food offered by Cornish groups. It is important for businesses to sign up early so these conflicts do not arise. The venue for the fair will be similar to that of last year.
- C. The Kiosk –** The kiosk in Thompson Park will be given a face lift with new paint and a large laminated map (a replica of the map in the Cornish Brochure) mounted on the back. A memorial listing of fallen servicemen from Cornish will be posted on the side and in the glassed section a monthly list of area events along with paid advertisements from local businesses will be featured. Pictures of the layout were presented and a vote was taken to provide \$1,000 for the project pending final approval from the Selectmen.



II. New Business

- A. Insurance – Our insurance policy was reviewed and all voted to keep it the same at a cost of \$500.00 for the year.**
- B. Meeting Dates – It was decided to continue the movable meeting every other month. These meetings will take place on Wednesday evenings and include a speaker. The next MOVABLE meeting will be held Wednesday, September 15th at Nurturing Tranquility. The regular meetings will continue to be held at the United Church of Christ on the 2nd Tuesday at 7 P.M.**

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 10th. The meeting was adjourned at 9 P.M. with many thanks to Heather, our hostess, at the Clipper Merchant Tea Room.

**Respectfully submitted,
Ernestine Bash
Secretary**