

**CITY OF DUNNELLON  
125 ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE**

DATE: March 30, 2016  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
PLACE: City Hall  
20750 River Dr., Dunnellon, FL 34431

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Chuck Dillon called the meeting to order and led the committee in the Pledge.

**ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The following members were present:

Councilman Chuck Dillon	City Council Liaison
Bill Northsea	Architect
Michel Northsea	Historical Society
Nancy Myers	Historic Village/Grumbles House
Dwight Porter	Business Owner/Historian

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dawn Bowne, City Clerk  
Eddie Esch, City Manager  
Loretta Barton, Staff Assistant

**ALSO PRESENT**

N/A

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Northsea moved the minutes for February 24th be approved. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – FUNDRAISING UPDATE**

Mrs. Northsea gave an account of what has been received to-date through fundraising efforts. She was disappointed “Dunnellon Proud” was not going as well as expected, and said she is going to run an ad in the paper on Thursday. There was discussion about organizing a 125 Anniversary booth at Boomtown Days to sell t-shirts and bricks as fundraisers.

Councilman Dillon asked Mr. Esch if there were any issues with the location of park and consistency with the Comp Plan. Mr. Esch said he did not believe there would be any issues.

Councilman Dillon said he would like to build one shelter in order to get a base price.

Mr. Northsea indicated the residents may be getting restless wondering what is going on. He suggested the park be built all at once. He believes it would be easier to sell the shelters

or get donations if they can see a finished product. He said it may be possible to find a benefactor for a 5% return. Councilman Dillon said he was against borrowing money and the committee could not commit to a loan. He would rather try to approach the prominent families and big business of Dunnellon.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – GRANT UPDATE**

Mrs. Bowne advised she still had not heard from Walmart.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – CONTRACT WITH FOX CHAPEL UPDATE**

Mr. Esch reported he is working on the artwork contract and clearing up some issues and questions with regard to who will sign the contract. He stated he believed he could have it all handled soon. Mr. Northsea stated he is also in contact with Fox Chapel discussing the artwork and a way to strengthen the metal to withstand high winds and vandalism. He also stressed that Fox Chapel was very concerned about knowing the time frame for delivery of the artwork.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – PARK DEDICATION STATEMENT**

Councilman Dillon said he will prepare a statement so that everyone can answer why the park is dedicated to Mrs. Spitznogle.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Northsea advised the Dunnellon Historical Society is having a birthday party for the City's 125<sup>th</sup> birthday on April 21<sup>st</sup> 2016 at the Dunnellon Train Depot at 5:30p.m. They will have a Birthday card to sign and will be taking a town photo. She explained long time residents and businesses will be honored with a certificate.

There was discussion about additional fundraising strategies. It was agreed that members should contact local sources for funding.

Mr. Esch and Councilman Dillon spoke about Arbor Day. Mr. Esch recognized that Grumbles house had donated a tree for the park and it would be temporarily planted in a pot so it could be transferred to the park post construction.

Mrs. Bowne shared a sample plaque from BJ Trophies in order to start considering a style that might be used as a dedication plaque on all the donated items for the park. Everyone liked it and Mr. Northsea said it was perfect in size and he really liked the frame. Everyone agreed.

Councilman Dillon asked if Mrs. Northsea would check on the minimum brick order in case the committee wanted to get started on engraving bricks.

Councilman Dillon asked if someone would make a motion to have Mrs. Myers contact Mr. Steve Tyre regarding a price on 125 "Phosphate Pete" T-shirts before Boomtown Day. Mr. Esch said he had a meeting the next day with Ms. Kelly Hughes and would also ask her for a

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quote on the shirts. Mrs. Northsea made a motion to have Mrs. Myers and Mr. Esch get quotes and order shirts to sell at Boomtown Days. Mr. Northsea seconded. All members were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.