

FRIENDS OF BEDFORD DEPOT PARK, INC

Board of Directors

Meeting of November 4, 2004

MINUTES

George F. Dalrymple, Clerk

A Board Meeting of the Friends of Bedford Depot Park was held at Bedford Depot Park's Freight House at 120 South Road on Thursday, November 4, 2004. President Jim Shea called the meeting to order at 3:09 P.M. Members present were George Dalrymple, John Filios, Neil Leary, Ray Ruetenik, Jim Shea and Ed Stickney.

Mr. Shea distributed the "Bedford Freight House, Monthly Financial Report October 31, 2004." He noted the large differences in Membership receipts listed in the report from last year to this year. Last year, not all memberships were recorded in the Freight cash register, but all in 2004 were.

The Treasurer distributed the "Memberships and Financial Summaries, November 2, 2004." On October 27, 2004, we had approximately \$5,472 available in unrestricted funds—two checks were written after the report was prepared. We had 20 membership actions this month, a total of 133 so far this year—new, upgrades or renewals—this year to date. This membership report will be discontinued when the new membership database is functional after the first of the year.

Mr. Stickney, Clerk and Membership Secretary, presented a "Membership Report" that had the total numbers listed in our data base since the Friends were started.

Mr. Shea presented three pictures given to the Friends of Bedford Depot Park by Mr. Leigh A. Webb, the donor of the H. Albert Webb Award. He also listed three items: an "O" scale Budd RDC model, a switchstand lantern, and a Sandy River & Rangeley Lakes rail map given to the Friends by Alan E. MacMillian. Mr. Leary moved that these items be accepted. Mr. Filios seconded and it was VOTED 7-0-0.

The B&B narrow-gauge commemorative plaque has been received. The plaque is finely detailed. The vendor was so pleased that he

has taken photos for his use. Possibilities for mounting the plaque were discussed. One possibility is to mount it on a boulder. The estimated costs for this type of mounting is between \$1,700 and \$1,900. Another possibility is a sandblasted granite block 26" W x 16" D x 12" front and 26" rear would cost \$1,390.00. After much discussion, Mr. Stickney was asked to investigate further, but the consensus was that the granite block was probably the best solution. Mr. Leary moved and Mr. Dalrymple seconded that we add \$400.00 to the \$1,000.00 previously authorized to provide a mounting for the plaque. It was VOTED 5-0-2.

Mr. Leary reported that the Lexington Historical Society is near to opening their building, the Lexington Depot, and have suggested that we load them a few items for their initial displays.

Mr. Ruetenik reported that tonight there is a special Town Meeting where funds will be requested to design an extension to the Minuteman Bikeway to Concord road over the Town owned rail bed.

The minutes of the October 8, 2004, meeting were distributed. Mr. Leary moved that they be accepted with a correction. Mr. Filios seconded and it was VOTED 7-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 P.M.

*submitted by George F. Dalrymple
Secretary-Treasurer*

Incorporated by reference:

"Bedford Freight House, Monthly Sales Report, October 31, 2004"

"Memberships and Financial Summaries November 2, 2004"

"Membership Report, November 4, 2004"

"The Films of John M. Boardman, Volume Three, Expenses and Projected Income (September 01, 2004)"

Approved with a correction on December 3, 2004