

FRIENDS OF BEDFORD DEPOT PARK, INC.

**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting of February 4, 2005**

**MINUTES**

George F. Dalrymple, Secretary

A Board Meeting of the Friends of Bedford Depot Park was held at Bedford Depot Park's Freight House at 120 South Road on Friday, February 4, 2005. Chairman Jim Shea called the meeting to order at 2:40 P.M. Members present were Barry Sampson, George Dalrymple, John Filios, Neil Leary, Jim Shea and Ed Stickney.

Mr. Shea distributed the "Bedford Freight House, Monthly Sales Report January 31, 2005." He noted that in the year 2004 all transactions were included in the Freight House Cash Register. Therefore the year-to-date comparisons will be complete. Receipts for food and FBDP merchandise were up for January and both memberships and consignment sales were down.

Mr. Dalrymple distributed the "Membership and Financial Summary, February 3, 2005." On January 31, 2004, our unrestricted balance was \$5,364.82. Payment for 2004 to the Town and July-December for the consignment sales have been made. The 2004 Annual Financial report has not been completed.

Mr. Stickney presented the "Membership Report, February 4 2005." There were 13 renewals in January. There was also a new senior individual and one new family membership.

Mr. Sampson reported that Saturday sales at the Amherst Railway Show was about \$1,600 but Sunday's was only about \$600. As a result, the 2005 show receipts were only slightly more than the 2004 show. The Boardman videos sold well, 40 DVDs. He is planning to attend a show each for the next three months.

For the past two years we have received a grant from the Amhers Railway Society that

has been used to create the "Interpretive two-foot track on the former B&B right of way. We were given a Grant Application. There were mixed feelings. Should we apply for additional funding for the track project or a new project? This is to be discussed at the next Board of Directors meeting.

Mr. Shea has investigated DSL Internet service at the Freight House. It will cost \$39.95 per month. If we order before March 31, 2005, we will receive the first three months free. With the grant previously given us by Verizon, for Internet service the first year's service will cost only an additional \$120. We can apply for a another grant annually so the service potentially will cost \$240 per year. It was agreed to apply for the service and future grants.

At the Amherst Hobby Show, Mr. Dan O'Brien had a brief discussion with Barry Sampson regarding the installation of flooring in RDC 6211. Perhaps when the danger of freezing is past, they can do the floor leveling operation and work can be started.

An application has been made to amazon.com sell our products with the "Advantage Program." We are waiting for a reply.

The minutes of the January 7, 2005, meeting were distributed. Mr. Leary moved that they be accepted with a correction. Mr.

Sampson seconded and it was VOTED 5-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 3:41 P.M.

George F. Dalrymple,  
Secretary

Incorporated by reference:

Agenda

"Bedford Freight House, Monthly Sales

Report, January 31, 2005"

"Financial Summary," February 3, 2005"

"Membership Report, February 4 2005"

"Options for selling Boardman Videos on  
amazon.com, December 30, 2004"

*Approved with corrections on March 4, 2005.*