

Minutes of the Regular ABA Meeting April 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 P.M. Members present: Chair Carolyn Schaeffner, Treasurer Chris Racine, Secretary Leslie Rentel, Director Kelly Sullivan, and members Dale Schaeffner, Roger Sample, and Scott and Penny Williams.

The three sets of minutes were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes of the meeting for January by Roger, seconded by Kelly; March minutes by Kelly, seconded by Dale; April E-board minutes by Chris, seconded by Kelly. All of the motions were passed by consensus.

The treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion was made to accept by Kelly, seconded by Leslie. The motion passed by consensus. Chris suggested moving some of the ABA funds into a money market checking account or a 6 month CD. She will investigate whether regular rules for CDs apply to a nonprofit organization. The prospect of moving the money will be further discussed at the May meeting, after budgets for our various events have been written.

The ABA 2014 budget was reviewed. The votes received for approval were from Dale's Lock and Key, MMSC, PDK Cottages, Roman Butler, and Fullerton, Speedy Wash n Go Laundromats, BMS, Profile Bank, Bayside Dental, and the ABCCC. A motion was made to accept the vote and budget by Kelly, seconded by Dale. The budget passed.

Ice Out: The contents of the prize basket were discussed. A bag of pistachios and an air freshener (total value \$15) was donated by the MMSC. Gift certificates which were left over from the Winter Carnival will be used. Speedy Wash n Go has donated a gift card. Additional items will be sought from members. Carolyn has picked up a basket. A picture with the winner will be taken ASAP to be submitted to the newspaper.

Rotary Home Show (April 26): Members are encouraged to help man the booth and submit business cards etc. for display. We have received the information packet from the Rotary. Leslie will put together a guessing jar of candies. Winter Carnival gift cards will be used as a prize. There will be two drawings for prizes through the day. Both ABA banners will be displayed. Kelly will provide the table.

Ham and Bean Supper (May 17): The flyers were approved and will be distributed (40 requested by Leslie for distribution). Ads for the event will begin after Easter. Paper goods, coffee, and pink lemonade are being provided by the MMSC. Further planning will be discussed at the next E-Board meeting.

Memorial Day: A motion was made by Leslie to send a \$100.00 donation, as has been done in past years, to the Alton American Legion Post 72 for the purchase of flags for the veteran's graves, seconded by Kelly. The motion passed. Carolyn will write a letter to them.

Old Home Day weekend: Concerns were discussed whether the memberships of the ABA in the Alton Old Home Day Committee, an official town committee, was a good idea or not. The consensus was to continue participation. The block party is being chaired by Roger Sample. The parade is being chaired by Chris Racine. Leslie will get quotes from Taylor Rental for a bounce house and dunk tank. Roger has suggested that food such as pizza and ice cream be sold at the block party. He will approach the Village

Pizza to see if they will extend a discount for pizzas purchased. Chris has begun calling participants from last year's parade to see if they will come again and has submitted the Parade Permit for approval. A budget for both events needs to be submitted for approval at the May meeting. The first parade meeting will be held on April 24 (at 6:30 P.M.) at the Gilman Museum. Kelly will ask members for donations and to sign up for one or both committees via the news blast.

Fundraising: The possibility of having a bake sale table at some or all of the Concerts at the Bay will be looked into. Permissions will be needed by the Town of Alton. Leslie will speak to Mary regarding the subject. Chris suggested that we need to have fund raising events in June and July. There will be more discussion of this next month.

Carolyn presented a calendar of ABA events and activities. It will replace the outdated one on the web site. Scott suggested that we look into expanding the calendar to include community activities and sell ad space. The calendar could then be sold around town. We will look into putting together a calendar for 2015.

Misc.: Carolyn presented a pamphlet, which is an updated version of one from 2011 for approval. It was approved with minor changes. They will be distributed around town in the near future.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 P.M.