

May Rye Historic District Commission
Rye Civic League Notes

May 18, 2022:

- Meeting Minutes: [Click here](#)
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Highlights

- Rye 400th Committee the who and the what
- Holiday stroll kick-off of the 400th
- Updated application WIP

Details

Rye 400th

- Andy Stecher
 - o Rye Heritage
 - o Andy lead for the subcommittee
 - o Logo
 - o 400 events
 - o People who live in Rye and everyone knows
 - Dan Brown
 - o Web site
 - o Contests, photo contests, fun
 - o sponsorship, events
 - o want to see ideas come to life
 - o other events are throughout the year
 - o room in the back of the church can site 200 people
 - o can use it
- HDC candlelight stroll
 - o push the parade back
 - o immediately after parade
 - o close down street
 - o meander to Parsons Field
 - o light the tree
 - o involve as many homes as possible
 - o Great support for this event
 - o Fire dept. can help with lights
 - o We need lights there are lights in the tree from last time (20 years ago)
 - o outlet is still there from them as well
 - o talking to Chuck more again on Friday
 - o Spoke to multiple partners will step up
 - o Partners bank interested in being a sponsor
 - o include proposal in minutes
 - o pick up candle at park or church

- Volunteers Tate & Foss? Start with Lynn Joyce
- longest resident in Rye / family that's been here the longest...
- Idea
 - create monument
 - somewhere in the center of town
 - large boulder
 - plaque on it
 - Rye celebrated on this day in this year
 - need the space
 - foundation made up of pavers that can be purchased by families inscribed with their name
- Boston post can't do rye have a cane
- Andy will ask Chuck about fire pits

Katelyn is putting pricing on bags and lights to go in the bags

- Shorter candlesticks
- Need batteries
- Ask Andy to double check on candles

Update about CLG grant

- Grant application for planning for space purposes
- Help with the funding for planning for the interior for Town Hall
- Help them get funds to work with architect
- Evaluate the space who can go where
- What space can be used immediately and in the future
- Feels like we are early since the construction is delayed
- Meeting with BOS – move forward because hopefully by fall would be at the point where we can engage with architect
- \$20k
 - Town would match \$8k
 - Grant would be 12k

Sign update

- 8 sites selected
- Starting to think about funding and sign content
- Next steps work with graphic designer
- Members: Eileen McCue, Jaci Grotu, Peter White, Alex Herlihy, Andy Stecher, Lydia Tilsley

Application

- Modeled on Exeter's
- Intent is that this will be a PDF form that can be filled in online
- Work on this and in December have attorney review
- Another draft will be circulated next meeting