# Sudbury 250 Committee Meeting on April 10, 2024, at 11 AM Minutes

Silva Room (Hybrid meeting), Flynn Building (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) 278 Old Sudbury Rd, Sudbury, MA 01776

Members present in person: Radha Gargeya, Rachael Robinson, Jan Hardenbergh Members present virtually: John Neuhauser

Radha Gargeya called the meeting was called to order at 11:08 AM.

# **Committee Organization**

Radha Gargeya was nominated as Chair by Jan Hardenbergh and was seconded by Rachael Robinson. All were in favor.

Jan Hardenbergh was nominated as Vice Chair by Radha Gargeya and was seconded by Rachael Robinson. All were in favor.

Minutes will be taken on a rotating basis with Jan Hardenbergh taking minutes for this meeting.

There were no public comments.

# **Introductions**

John grew up in Sudbury and studied history in college. He is in charge of the Sudbury Companies of Militia and Minute who march to Concord every April 19th. He has a passion for most things Sudbury.

Jan is the Town Historian, moved to Sudbury in 1984. He also has a passion for most things Sudbury and will be ringing the bell at 5:45 on April 19th.

Rachael is the Director of the Sudbury Historical Society (SHS), and she is on the Littleton 250 committee. While she does not live in Sudbury, this work is within her wheelhouse.

Radha moved to Sudbury in 1997 and his kids went through Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School (LS). His first Town Committee was the Walkways and he served on the LS School Committee for twelve years. He believes Sudbury has a unique story in the founding of the country and would like to look into the lesser-told stories and have them included in the celebrations of the 250th Anniversary.

#### **Additional Members**

We discussed additional members including a member of the Select Board, the Town Manager, and a Public Safety representative. It would be good to have a member or liaison to the Chamber of Commerce, the Sudbury Schools or LS, the Wayside Inn, and Sudbury Valley Trustees (SVT). Rachael will speak to someone from the schools when they visit next month. Radha will contact the Chamber of Commerce; John, the Wayside Inn; Jan, SVT.

## Committee's mission and objectives

Rachael asked if we should focus on the 250th anniversary as a whole, or just focus on Sudbury. Are we only planning for April 19th, 2025, and July 4th, 2026? The Chamber of Commerce organizes the parade. The Wayside Inn, SHS, and SVT will have events. How should we coordinate?

In 1975, Sudbury organized buses to go to Concord for the presidential visit. Should we do that or offer an event in Town?

We need to find out what is already planned in town and in other towns.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 1st, at 7 PM in-person and hybrid.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by John Hardenbergh and seconded by Rachel Robinson. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Hardenbergh