

# **Sudbury 250 Committee**

Minutes for Wednesday, October 16, 2024,  
Hybrid meeting in the Thompson Room at 7:00 PM  
(**Meeting video** can be viewed at [www.sudburytv.org](http://www.sudburytv.org))

Members present in-person:

Radha Gargeya, Committee Chair; Jan Hardenbergh, Committee Vice-Chair

Members present virtually:

Rachael Robinson, Tim Cobbett, John Neuhauser

Roll Call:

Gargeya, present; Hardenbergh, present; Robinson, present; Cobbett, present;  
Neuhauser, present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02PM.

Radha noted the Open Meeting Laws with respect to Hybrid meetings and that the meeting was being recorded.

John is taking minutes for this meeting.

There was no public comment.

## **Member reports**

Radha provided an update on ARPA community funding and the process for signing contracts with vendors for Sudbury 250 community events. Radha also mentioned that he spoke with the Sudbury Police and other first responders regarding needing their presence and assistance at events.

John provided an update on the Battle of Red Horse Tavern, a Sudbury 250 committee event. He reported that planning is underway and has reached out to the Wayside Inn, the host venue. John also provided a preliminary budget estimate to the Committee.

Tim asked how the Committee can develop additional activities to reach and engage more with elementary school children in town.

Rachel asked if the Committee would want to change Sudbury Through Time exhibit currently on display at the Sudbury History Museum to focus more on the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Revolution. Rachel indicated that the Sudbury 250 brochure was currently available in the Museum. Additionally, Rachel mentioned that Sudbury 250 merchandise is available for purchase at the Museum and online.

## **Report on Colonial Faire September 28, 2024**

Radha reported that the Colonial Faire was a success. Sudbury 250 had a space to promote the Committee and planned events. Radha indicated that Sudbury 250 sold about \$300 worth of merchandise.

### **Discussion of events, cost, and fund-raising**

Radha reiterated that we will not get the \$50K from the state. As for the ARPA funds, we may not need to have contracts signed by December 31, 2024.

The Committee reviewed the planned events and the budget estimates for planned events. The Committee discussed additional ways to raise funds to support events. The question was asked if the Committee should fundraise for specific events or for all events. The Committee also raised the idea of seeking out corporate donations to help cover some of the costs of upcoming events.

The Committee reviewed the letter to the Sudbury community seeking performances for the Sudbury Community Day event.

Discussed how to accept submissions.

Discussed how to judge entries, what criteria would entries be judged on and who would judge entries.

Radha will look into and seek advice on how a public committee selects “winners’ in such a contest.

### **Discussion of events**

Henry Knox event

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Schedule 4:00pm Attendees can come “touch” a cannon, learn more about them etc.

4:45pm-5:45pm Henry Knox presentation by Steve Glovsky

6:00pm Nighttime firing of a cannon

Location: Likely Martha Mary Chapel at the Wayside Inn

Capacity: ?

Rachel to ask and confirm that Steve can present,

April 19, 2025 Event

Jim Wiegel is leading the planning for this event and has been in touch with the Wayside Inn.

The plan is to host an 18th century music concert at the Wayside Inn and followed by a dinner also at the Inn.

The committee has a few clarification questions for Jim regarding the details of this event.

Radha will reach out to Jim.

Tim Cobbett left the meeting at 8:04PM.

### **Discussion of Historic Homes Marker Program**

This is a program where a banner, sign or other marker is placed at the location of a house that was in Sudbury in April 1775. Concord has a similar program, and it was noted that it was well received by the homeowners.

Rachel asked if we could do the program with something other than a banner.

### **Review of September 12 meeting minutes**

Radha asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the 9/12/24 meeting. John motioned to approve the meeting minutes from 9/12/24. Rachael seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 4-0; Gargeya-aye, Hardenbergh-aye, Neuhauser-aye, Robinson-aye.

## **Future meeting times**

November 6th, 7PM Remote

November 20th, 7PM - hybrid

December 4th, 7PM - hybrid

Radha asked for a motion to adjourn. Jan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rachael seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 4-0; Gargeya-aye, Hardenbergh-aye, Neuhauser-aye, Robinson-aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29PM.

## **Documents used during the meeting**

### [Link to supporting documents](#)

1. Agenda for this meeting, 10/16/2024
2. Compiled List of Events
3. Event Cost Estimates
4. Community Invitation
5. Sudbury 250 Program Proposal to Recognize Revolutionary War Era Historic Houses and Sites
6. Sudbury 250 Banner List
7. Minutes of 9/12/2024 meeting, draft