AGENDA
USA 250 CELEBRATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2026
MUNICIPAL OFFICE COMPLEX
MEETING ROOM 3
VIA YOUTUBE LIVE
7:00 PM
SPECIAL MEETING

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review of Agenda

3. Approval of Minutes – 6/11/26 Special Meeting

4. Review the Plan for the July 11 Re-enactment of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence.
   - Review of the Detailed Schedule for entire Event – See Meeting Minutes
     1. Order and Timing of Music Performances – Results of Rehearsals.
   - Review of the Activities and Exhibits planned for the Old Town Meeting Hall and the Grange Hall
     1. Have added Middle School students' exhibits.
   - Scroll Sourcing for the Signing Scrolls – Need detail plans for the scroll signing.
     1. Scroll Paper ordered and received. Results of Rehearsals.
   - Tattoos, Stickers, Buntings, Banners, and Lawn Signs –
     1. Tattoos and Stickers instead of small flags.
     2. Buntings received and placed.
     3. Banners installed.
     4. Two dozen Lawn Signs have been installed.
   - Parking Plan, Busing Plan, ADA Parking, Police Plan, Road Closure Plan –
     1. Need many signs of all types
     2. Have an ADA Bus (Van)
   - Publicity Plan – Poster Placement, Press Releases, Articles, etc.
     1. Where to place posters? In-town and out-of-town
   - Guide Map creation and review – Have decided to use the East Haddam Visitor's Guide (No Cost)
   - Food Truck Reservation Status, 10:00 AM Arrival Timing and location
     1. Oz-N-Bones, Emily's, Moma's Ice Cream; Have added a fourth Food Truck ! (No Cost)
   - Festival Permit Approved !
   - Dogs at the Event – Service Dogs allowed.
   - Portable Toilets – Near the Grange, Near the Church, and one at the Elementary School Parking Lot
   - Tables and Chairs for the Hospitality Tent – Need a volunteer leader for tables and chairs and a count
   - Tent Plan – 3 Tented Areas – Hospitality Tent, 1st Company Tent, Church Tents
   - Trash Barrel Plan – 15 Barrels and a Dumpster, also requested Recycle Barrels?
   - Budget and Expenses to-date
   - Total Estimated Cost covered by a single donor – Consumer Reports – A Tremendous Gift
   - $750 Stipend from America CT 250 -- Any volunteers to attend the 7/4/26 Recommitment Ceremony?
   - $500 Donation from the Gelston House
   - Visit in-Town organizations for communication of Event
   - Latest List of Volunteers and their assignments
   - Additional Seating for the Visitors and Guests
   - Requests for donations
5. Scholarship Enhancements and Communication
   - Fundraising Goal - $50K this year. Press Release is being reviewed

6. Review the status of other East Haddam 250th Anniversary Events
    - Potential Nathan Hale School House Exhibition
7. Other items as necessary

8. Public Comment

9. Adjournment

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