

## Minutes of Vermont 250 on Friday, May 1, 2026

Attendance: Kathleen Nutter, Therese Lounsbury, Jim Dassatti  
Meeting called to order in the Town Clerk's Office at 10:30am.

### **Changes to the Agenda:**

None.

### **Minutes Approval:**

Hearing no changes to the minutes of April 24, 2026, they were declared approved. Side note that Kathleen does not expect to be back in time for the Village Stroll.

### **Committee Reports:**

Jim suggested the opportunity to draw the Patrick Henry speech and Virginia's involvement in the Revolution with the use of Williamsburg miniatures. It was decided that it was okay to print and distribute the Catamount Chronicles that we have ready. Jim spoke to Travis regarding use of his space at the corner for a display – perhaps during the Blueberry Block Party time? Hill's Band Wagon for Sunday, July 5 – Jim to follow up with them. It was decided that they could play at Crafts Inn at 11am and 1pm, then shift to OSEC for 4pm because the theater production begins at 2pm in Memorial Hall. The display could be open and Jim checking on possible BBQ with Joe Kruszewski? Food vouchers for the band could be created with a local restaurant to be reimbursed for the ones used. Jim has found a different Ben Franklin that would be closer to us and is reaching out for pricing and availability. There is also the potential for a speaker on the Loyalist experience and/or a Queen Victoria to reflect on America's Centennial experience. Jim mentioned that he heard that the firehouse was planning an open house to see the new fire truck on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, and wondered if we should have the display at OSEC open. Jim shared the idea of a blanket throw with images of American Revolution or Vermont Constitution House or Wilmington buildings. He will research further for vendors and what kind of investment is involved.

Therese would like a photo of the committee when we are next decked out in our red, white & blue. Still looking for a Calvin Coolidge Day, need music for May 23, add an Open Studio?

Kathleen to check Historical Society display that we need to adjust. She will also look for Ludington Woodenware items.

### **Village Stroll for Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4-6pm – “Stroll Back in Time”**

Jim to check on availability of Darryl & Mary to sit with the 250<sup>th</sup> display at OSEC for the Village Stroll from 4-6pm, otherwise Therese will find someone. Therese to make sure OSEC is okay with the building being open for that. Items to consider for the new display: colonial life items (perhaps move some from OSEC), the train, Adams patents, John Henry Flagg, the lighting of the town, colonial food report from Todd.

### **Calendar:**

Add June 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:00pm talk on “Living the Colonial Life” by Jim Dassatti at Town Hall.

Adjourned at 12:25pm.

**Next Meeting: Friday, May 8, 2026, at 10:30am at the Town Clerk's Office**

*Respectfully submitted by Therese Lounsbury 5/4/2026.*