CHAPLIN AD-HOC BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE Chaplin, Connecticut <u>Meeting Minutes</u> April 7, 2022

Chairperson Leslie Ricklin called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Present were members Warren Church, Dick Weingart, Anne Sicilian, Julie Lindquist and Ann Lewis. Others present was First Selectman Juan Roman. Unable to attend were members Bob Grindle and Bill Rose.

3. DISCUSSION OF THE DOCUMENT - "OPEN INVITATION TO CHAPLIN RESIDENTS TO DONATE TO THE BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM BOOKLETS":

Leslie Ricklin presented the Committee's Mission that emphasizes what the Committee is doing and for who, being as inclusive as possible. A document was drafted with 2 options (personal donations and Bicentennial sponsorship) inviting Chaplin residents to donate to the Bicentennial. Some concerns were shared over email that prompted this special meeting (issues are better discussed in-person as a committee). Anne Sicilian suggested sending out information to each member ahead of time to think about and bring to the next meeting for discussion.

The Committee discussed the document including the following: additional work is required for individual sponsorships including coordinating receipt of checks and PDF files (need to create PDF file if not provided), use the budget to hire someone to do the detailed work, Julie spoke about Johan Philbrick being eager to work on the Bicentennial and be on the Committee (not enough time to seat on the Committee, already working on the playbill), original idea when discussing business adds was to include individual sponsorships and non-profit organizations (there weren't any issues until the work began), originally discussed the Committee not doing all the work and would need the community to step forward and help (received help with the parade but couldn't find anyone to organize House/Garden Tours), full-page ads for individuals raises concerns about content (include a note in the document that the Committee has the right to accept or reject the submission), listing names under the designated category in the program. Anne Sicilian volunteered to handle individual donations/sponsorships (Ann Lewis is handling the business donations).

The document with recommended revisions will be presented at the next meeting for approval.

4. ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn (3:00 PM) was made by Ann Lewis, seconded by Dick Weingart.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Scott Recording Clerk