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Sumner County Celebrates America 250
March 26, 2026 @ 3:00 p.m.

Present:

Debra Maggart	**Reggie Mudd**	**Beth Stepleton**	**Jane Wright**
Mark Efros	**Kim Norfleet**	**Dick Reese**	
David Moomy	**James Lindsey**	**Jeff Yawn**	**Sandra Long**
Deb Spero	**John Hurt**	**Tim Diffenderfer**	
John C. Isbell	**Henry Puckett**	**AJ Whitten**	
Ken Thomson	**Clark Trivett**	**Tiffany Barton**	

Mayor Isbell called the meeting at 3:00 PM

Approval of Agenda:
Motion to amend agenda by Mayor Isbell, add #12 Time Capsule, #13 Flyer, #14 discuss PR Campaign, amended agenda approved by David Moomy seconded by Henry Puckett, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:
Mayor John C. Isbell made motion to approve February 26 minutes, approved by Reggie Mudd, seconded by Henry Puckett. Motion passed

Report of Chairman: John C. Isbell

- Amy Nixon will coordinate the square activities. Celebration will start at the court house, will migrate to the square. Ms. Nixon will be here for the April meeting. A band has been secured, and the chamber has donated the stage.

Jethro Sumner Monument: Sandra Long-Kim Norfleet

- Community Support Grant approved $25,000 and deposit was made to Hunt Monument
- Private donor gave $20,000 for the monument
- Dave and Diane Black will unveil General Sumner Monument
- Mr. and Mrs. Black will also bring their copy of the Declaration of Independence (only 23 exist)
- General Sumner's sword will be on display
- Time Capsule xtra large

Scavenger Hunt: Mark Efros

Scavenger Hunt will go live April 10

- 3 Task
- Drive by
- Stop take photo
- Answer Questions
- Prizes will be celebration 250 tshirts
- Grand Prize family trip to Dollywood

Celebration:

- **July 4th**
- Patriot Monument Dedication Sumner County
- Hosted by DAR
- Event will need 2 choirs
- Requesting the SAR provide a firing salute
- County Admin and Archives Buildings be open for a short period after ceremony
- July 4th Independence Day Parade-Gallatin
- Jointly sponsored by the VFW, American Legion, VVA
- Assembly starts @ 1030 GHS football field parade @ noon ends at Gallatin High
- All cities invited
- **July 8**
- Sandra handed out "order of Service" for the July 8 events (see attached)
- Name of event voted on by committee "Let Freedom Ring on the Square America 250"
- Parking available in the garage, church parking, library parking. Will reach out to each building

Schools: Jeff Yawn

- 10 schools responded
- 100 pieces of art displayed
- Winner of art contest, lead the Pledge of Allegiance
- 53 children, have emailed each school to suggest a student
- 3 reenactors

Videos: Kim Norfleet Ken Thomson

- Kim Norfleet reached out to Amy with Hendersonville High School
- 7 videos with 7 sites

- Rock Castle
- Bledsoe Lick Historical Park
- Rose Mont
- Wynnewood
- Cragfont State Historic Site
- Gallatin Cemetery
- Trousdale Place
- If have extra videos, may do fall series

Website **~~APP~~: James ~~Lindsay~~** Lindsey LAB

LAB

- Added a Resource Page
- Added a Donation Link
- Website work in progress, will add as the information comes in
- Will launch Monday, March 30

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Chairman John C. Isbell

Date Approved: 4/24/26