

**Tinmouth Community Fund meeting minutes**  
**February 14, 2017**

Present: Cathy Reynolds (President), Jan Krantz (Vice President), Jo Reynolds, Ray Pratt (Treasurer), Melody Squier, Gail Fallar, and Helen Mango (Secretary).

Cathy called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes of January 4, 2017, were reviewed. Jo moved and Ray seconded that the Minutes of January 4, 2017, be accepted. Motion carried.

Cathy discussed the annual meeting. Cow Patti and Ray have offered to run again for their positions. Someone needs to nominate them. Jo is stepping down (three-year term), and there is one year left on Annie Robbins' term. The board discussed possible nominees. Helen will print the grant certificates and will award them at the meeting. Ray will give a treasurer's report. Jan will report on the workings of the TCF last year.

Cathy reported that we have a balance of funds in the Vermont Community Fund of \$281,078. Of this, the Scholarship Fund has \$129,761.71.

\$45,193.29 = Reserve Fund (we can withdraw more than 5% of this fund if we have extraordinary reason)

\$224,885.27 = Endowed Fund (this is a more restricted fund; we can spend no more than 5% per year from this fund)

We have donations of \$1660 currently in hand (as donation checks in the TCF checkbook).

The TCF can spend up to 5% of \$151,317 = \$7565 on 2017 grants.

Review 17 grant applications for Community Fund grants. Discussion ensued.

1. Tinmouth Gardeners: Landscaping around generator and propane tank at the Tinmouth Elementary School. Approved. \$500
2. Climbing Wall (at Tinmouth Elementary School): Update and repairs. Approved. \$500
3. Contra Dance: Travel stipends and support for musicians/caller. Approved. \$500
4. School Garden Club: Plans for Pre-K/K garden behind Tinmouth Elementary School. Approved. \$500
5. Old Firehouse tickets: Complimentary concert tickets. Approved. \$450
6. Conservation Commission: Susan Morse presentation/hike event. Approved. \$400
7. Tinmouth Historical and Genealogical Society: Storage containers/materials. \$500

8. Tinmouth Blooms 1: Flowering crab trees for Town beautification. Approved. \$500
9. Tinmouth Blooms 2: More flowering crab trees for Town beautification. Put off for another year. Rejected
10. Tinmouth Pond Milfoil Management: Approved. \$500
11. Community Oven: Approved. \$500
12. Old Creamery Committee: Old Creamery roof project: Approved. \$500
13. Tinmouth Handbell Committee: Purchase lights and special dowels. Approved. \$500
14. Tales of Tinmouth: Approved. \$500
15. Tinmouth Elementary School: Garden project. Approved. \$500
16. Tinmouth Elementary School: Wee Folks playground. Seed money for larger playground purchase. TES already has \$500 from last year for this project that has not been spent. Rejected.
17. Tinmouth Pond Pavilion summer rental. For general town use for one week. Approved. \$500

If all approved proposals are funded, this would be \$7450.

Helen moved, seconded by Jan, that all proposals be funded. Motion passed.

The Summer Camp Committee will be reconvened in the spring and will fund applications as they see fit.

Gail and Cathy would like to tie up some loose ends concerning unused grant dollars from past years. Future grant applications need to state that funds not spent in a year are either given back to the TCF or can be rolled over for no more than one more year with approval of the TCF committee.

Jan moved, seconded by Melody, that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Helen Mango, Secretary