

ITEM(S) TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER:

Consent Item Old Business New Business Other

FOR COUNCIL MEETING DATED:	March 10, 2010
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STAFF MAKING REQUEST:	C. James Ervin, Town Manager
BRIEF SUMMARY OF REQUEST:	<p>Linda Stanley, Special Projects Coordinator for the Franklin County Historical Society, is requesting that several of their events be staged from the Rocky Mount Municipal Building and parking lot. Those events include:</p> <p>April 18: "Moonshine Express" May 22-23: "History in Bloom" Oct. 16 & 23: "Ghosts & More"</p> <p>Mrs. Stanley has confirmed with Pat Keatts that the Municipal Building and parking lot are available for those dates, and if Council so approves, those dates will be reserved for the Historical's use.</p> <p>Attached is a letter to the Mayor and Council members from Mrs. Stanley that go into further detail about her specific requests for each event.</p>
ACTION NEEDED:	To either approve/deny request.

Attachment(s): Yes

FOLLOW-UP ACTION: (To be completed by Town Clerk)	GIVEN TO (DEPT. HEAD) (To be completed by Town Clerk)
COMPLETED ACTION: (To be filled in by Town Clerk) (To be completed by Department Head)	GIVEN TO TOWN CLERK: (To be completed by Department Head)
DATE COMPLETED AND ACTION TAKEN:	DATE GIVEN TO TOWN CLERK:

Franklin County Historical Society



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Jan. 18, 2010

Mayor Steve Angle & Town Council Members
345 Donald Avenue
Rocky Mount, VA 24151

Dear Mayor and Council Members,
Best wishes for 2010!

With the new year, of course, comes plans for the Historical Society's working year. We appreciate the town's cooperation in previous years and hope we can again work together to present educational and fun events for the public. Each event is also a fundraiser which provides a large chunk of our calendar year's income.

We ask you to again allow use of the Municipal Building and parking lot for our events. As in the past, the actual events and visitors will be out on the lawn and parking lot, coming inside to use the restrooms in the back. Our "characters" usually use those restrooms and the meeting room to change clothes and prepare for the program. We are adding a third "new" event to the line-up this year. Our requests are as follows:

Sunday, April 18 : "Moonshine Express" - we would like to bring our props etc. on Saturday and also erect tents by the side door as in the past. These will be removed immediately after the event. 2010 will mark our sixth consecutive year for this popular character event.

Saturday and Sunday, May 22-23: "History in Bloom" - a repeat of a very successful home tour we staged in 2004. We would like to bring in materials on Friday evening and erect tents in preparation for the Saturday and Sunday event. (Monday the 24th happens to be Memorial Day for 2010.) These will be removed at the end of the event on Sunday afternoon. We are partnering with Community Partnership for Revitalization for this home tour.

Saturdays, Oct. 16 and 23 : "Ghosts & More" - This is another character event on the order of the April "Moonshine Express." We would like to move our props in on each Friday evening and put up tents, removing these items Sunday after each day's event. 2010 will mark our eighth consecutive year for this character event.

If there are specific questions about either of the events, please let me know. I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Linda Stanley
Special Projects Coordinator

CC: Town Manager James Ervin