

Newport Historical Society Minutes  
Executive Committee  
June 3, 2010  
NHS Museum

**Attendees**

Christina O'Brien Mary Lou McGuire Cathryn Baird Jackie Cote

**1. Call to Order:** This meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM

**2. Terry Knowles, Assistant Attorney General**

Cathryn Baird and Jackie Cote have been in touch with the Attorney General's office regarding the communications of a NHS member. Based on information received from Terry Knowles, a letter will be sent to Patrick Hayward regarding his inappropriate activities and the inappropriate communications which have been sent to the email list of NHS members.

**3. Complimentary Membership**

A complimentary membership has been granted to Ron Garceau in appreciation of the two programs he will conduct for the NHS.

**4. Building Committee**

The NHS Building Committee has been reviewing and discussing several properties in town in the quest for a new museum space. Application has been made to SCORE for assistance in developing a business plan.

**5. Collaborative Brochure with Area Historical Societies**

Final copy was produced for the proposed area historical society brochure. The answers to the following questions will be asked of the Croydon Historical Society representative: How many area Societies are participating? What is the final cost? When/how will the brochure be issued? How many copies will each historical society receive?

**6. Possible Newport Town Papers in Opera House Basement**

It has come to our attention that there may be historic Newport papers located in a closet at the Opera House. President Baird will contact Mr. Massey with an inquiry.

**7. NHS Program Brochure**

A sample brochure for publicizing NHS programs was presented. Programs for June through October are listed, along with pertinent NHS information. It was decided to get fifty copies printed and available for our next meeting and for placement in localities around town.

**8. Lecture Series Co-hosted With the Richards Free Library**

It was decided to co-host a lecture series with the Richards Free Library in conjunction with Newport's 250<sup>th</sup> celebration at a cost of \$160.00. The NHS will get equal billing as hosts. The proposed program subjects are covered bridges, the history of New Hampshire towns (focused on Newport,) and a third to be determined.

**9. Hearse House at Maple Street Cemetery**

It has come to our attention that the hearse house at the Maple Street cemetery is about to be razed. We will contact the town for help in an attempt to take documentary photographs of the building. This building was the Bailey Tomb, donated to the town in 1842 by Samuel Bailey of Sunapee.

**10. Museum Committee Request for Funds**

It was decided to grant the request from the Museum Committee for funds totaling less than \$200.00 to purchase acid free boxes for storage.

**11. Committee Reports**

The following committee reports have been received and will be available at the general meeting on June 14: Cemetery, Fundraising, Website, Program, Newsletter, Pier Bridge, Museum, Oral History

**12. Adjournment**

This meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou McGuire  
Secretary