

Newport Historical Society Board Meeting
December 11, 2018
Priscilla and Jerry Hagebusch's home

Meeting Called to Order: By President Cathryn Baird at 7:56 PM

Board Members Present: Stan Sweeney, Rita James, Jerry and Pris Hagebusch, Dr. Arthur Walsh, Laura McCrillis, Dean Stetson, Larry and Jackie Cote, Jayna Hooper, Cathryn Baird.

Absent: Arnie Hebert, Annette Menard.

Public Present: Maura Stetson

Public Forum: There were no comments from the Public

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on November 12th, 2018 were open for discussion. No one presented any amendments or corrections.

A Motion to accept the minutes of the November 12th, 2018 meeting was made by Larry. The Second to the Motion was made by Stan. The Motion was ACCEPTED by all and rejected by none.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurers reports were presented to the group for review. Members of the board looked over the information and had no specific questions at the time.

Financial Statements were presented by Jackie Cote. Detailed copies were distributed, reviewed and discussed including:

- Newport Historical Society Accounting Summary for November 1st thru November 30th
- Main Operating Account FY ending 30-Sept-2019
- Nettleton House Account FY ending 30-Sept-2019
- NHS Budget Comparison Operating Acct. INCOME October 1st 2018 to September 30th, 2019.
- NHS Budget Comparison Operating Acct. EXPENSE October 1st 2018 to September 30th, 2019.
- NHS Budget Comparison Nettleton House INCOME October 1st 2018 to September 30th, 2019
- NHS Budget Comparison Nettleton House EXPENSE October 1st 2018 to September 30th, 2019.
- Covered Bridge account information.

A Motion to accept the Treasurers Report was made by Arthur. The Second to the Motion was made by Pris. The Motion was ACCEPTED by all and rejected by none.

Fundraising Report from Jackie Cote:
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First two week at Sugar River Bank have been very good. Week of November 2 & 3 was \$156.00 and November 9 & 10 was \$278.56. Due to weather and Illness, we were not present on November 16 & 17 and November 23 & 24 due to Thanksgiving. Sales on November 30/December 1 were \$244.00 and December 7 & 8 were \$189.50 totaling \$868.06. Last year's total at this time was \$881.50. There are two weeks left in this year's schedule.

We have reordered note cards of the two owl assortments and skating with Joan's watercolor proof. Just ordered are the water color of the Corbin Bridge and winter photo of the Corbin Bridge.

Museum Report from Larry Cote:

Larry told of his collaboration with a visitor to Newport doing research on Concord Foundry hoods....one of which is on the Rowell Watering Trough.

Barbra Huff donated \$100 to the Museum. Larry requested to put that money towards more racks for the archives.

Larry was given a couple of Andler paintings for safe keeping while other painting are in rotation at the town offices.

Membership Report:

- Membership for the NHS ended at 282 for the 2018 FY. (275 in 2017)
- To date NHS has renewals and new memberships totaling 221.

The membership drive raffle drawing was held at the Newport SAU office with employees drawing the names. It was a snowy day and the Town Times meeting was not held. Prize winners were Harold Wilson/LaValley Building Supply, Arthur Walsh/Shaws, George Wachtel/Courthouse brunch for 2, Eldon Simpson/Barbara Huff print, Eeva Malool/NHS gift shop \$25 certificate. Our reminder letter will go out in January to those who have not renewed. The 9/30/18 total was 282. We have 61 to go to reach last year's total.

Old Business:

Bill B. Van DVD's "Where are your Husbands" are available for the taking. Gifted by John Tariot Just ask.

New Business:

It was noted that the recent newsletter had a story and photo of one of the major Corbin Covered Bridge Festival Sponsors. The result of the conversation is that future Mill Town Messengers will have articles highlighting the other major sponsors of the CCB Festival.

The Revolutionary era documents related to Joel McGregor were discussed at great length and were deemed of interest to the Historical Society where Larry had Board approval for expenditure not to exceed \$560.00 to obtain these documents.

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A Motion for the approval was made by Jackie.
The Second to the Motion was made by Pris.
The Motion was ACCEPTED by all and rejected by none.

A "Caring for Collections" seminar will be offered in affiliation with the Newport Historical Society. Jackie and Larry from the Newport Historical Society will attend along with others from Historical Societies and municipal offices.

The January Newsletter will have an article about Barbra Huff and the exhibit currently at the Museum.

Corbin Covered Bridge Event: Dean reported highlights from recent meetings and activities.

- Media – Schedule
- The LAC space in the main street storefront is available for use by the CCB Festival committee
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- The event Flyer/Brochure will be by Brayshaw at \$0.31/unit. The group also approve the expenditure (estimated at less than \$200) for plastic flyer holders, distributors and state fees.
- Calendar Status – They will be coming out in the next few weeks – The group recommended a timely media article to highlight awareness to the public. (added to the on-line list)
- Liability Ins.
- Letter to Hunter/BOS
- Buttons – 2.5" John Lovejoy has paper samples, Coasters - Samples provided options discussed,
- Placemat Qty, Price, and sponsors discussed. \$25 per business size ad was appealing but with all going on at the moment, it was decided to defer this item for a couple of months.

With no other business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM.

A Motion to adjourn was made by Jerry.
The Second to the Motion was made by Laura.
The Motion to adjourn the meeting was ACCEPTED by all; rejected by none.

Dean Stetson
Recording Secretary (Pro Temp)