

Newport Historical Society Board Meeting
February 12, 2018 6:30 pm
Nettleton House – Newport Historical Society Museum

There was no meeting held in the month of January.

President Baird Called the Meeting to order at 6:32.

Board Members Present: Cathryn Baird President, Jerry Hagebusch Vice President , Larry Cote Museum Director, Dean Stetson Secretary Pro-Tempore, Pris Hagebusch, Rita James, Stan Sweeney, Dr. Arthur Walsh, Arnie Hebert and Jayna Hooper.

Absent: Jackie Cote-Treasurer, Laura McCrillis

Public Present: Nancy Myers

Public Forum:

There were no comments from the public.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on December 11, were open for discussion. No one presented any changes or corrections.

A Motion to accept the minutes of the December 11 meeting was made by Larry.

The Second to the Motion was made by Jerry.

The Motion was ACCEPTED by all; rejected by none.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurers reports for the months of December 2017 and January 2018 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 Larry Cote in Jackie's absence. Detailed copies were distributed, reviewed and discussed including:

- Newport Historical Society Accounting Summary for December 1st through the 31st, 2017, and January 1st through the 31st 2018.
- Main Operating Account FY ending 30-Sept-2018
- Nettleton House Account FY ending 30-Sept-2018
- NHS Budget Comparison Operating Acct. INCOME October 1st 2017 to September 30th, 2018
- NHS Budget Comparison Operating Acct. EXPENSE October 1st 2017 to September 30th, 2018
- NHS Budget Comparison Nettleton House INCOME October 1st 2017 to September 30th, 2018
- NHS Budget Comparison Nettleton House EXPENSE October 1st 2017 to September 30th, 2018

A Motion to accept the Treasurers Report was made by Stan.

The Second to the Motion was made by Priscilla.

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Museum Report:

The Museum Report was presented by Museum Director, Larry Cote– Details in the Monthly Museum report. Highlights include:

- 19 visitors signed the register for the month of December and January.
- The furnace has been replaced by Goodrich Oil. The Air Conditioner portion will be installed in April or May.

Fundraising Report:

- The Leapin’ Lena Ornament will be the only ornament available for sale in 2018. The Leapin’ Lena Ornament in currently in development – Proof reviewed.

Membership Report:

- Membership for the NHS ended at 275 for the 2017 FY.
- Current Membership is 247 which is down for the total number of memberships for 2017 but more than we had at this same time last year!

Old Business:

- Change in Constitution and Bylaws. The revised Constitution and Bylaws have been sent to the State of NH DOJ for review. No update at this time.
- Kearsarge Magazine will be at the museum on Sunday 18 February. The event will be catered by “Autumn Harvest” and Kearsarge Magazine will provide copies of the magazine and folks from the featured articles (Ray Reid, Marylou McGuire, and others) will be at the museum to sign and discuss.
- Kaitlynn Fish contacted Larry with a list of interested topics that the NHS may be able to support her 6, 7, 8 grade classes. Field Trips are problematic but members of the NHS may bring and present..... Larry and Dean will continue the conversation and try to support the association.

Corbin Covered Bridge Event:

- Dean is seeking 5 other “Community Partner” representatives from our municipal and community organizations to make up the “Event Team”: *Event/ Venue Coordinator, Activities Coordinator, Publicity Coordinator, Vendor Coordinator, Sponsor/Partner Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator*. This will allow the event to be sanctioned by the Town of Newport for liability purposes.
- Larry Offered that the bidding for the Green Bridge will not be going out until March 2018 so it is unlikely that the CCB will be able to be closed off for the event due to limited access. Rental of Tent(s) are in the plan.
- Dean is trying to get the login info for the NHS Face Book account to highlight and communicate to a broader audience for the CCB Event.

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NEXT CCB Festival MEETING: February 21st 6:30 PM Nettleton House:
New Business:

- The NHS program of events for this season has been defined and may be found on the website. All programs will start at 6:30 PM at the Ballroom of the Richards Free Library. **NOTE: (Info presented post meeting) If RFL Staff is required to stay late, the Library Policy is that there is a 2 hour charge for a staff member and the rate is somewhere between \$25 and \$30 per hour.**

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Tuesday April 10, 2018	Bill Bartlett - The Iditarod
Tuesday May 8, 2018	Calvin Coolidge - Tracy Messer
Tuesday June 12, 2018	The Latchis Family - Jonathan Bosche
Tuesday July 17, 2018	Covered Bridges of NH - Glenn Knoblock - (NHH-cosponsor)
Tuesday August 14, 2018	That Reminds Me of a Story - Rebecca Rule - (NHH-cosponsor)
Tuesday September 11, 2018	The Corbin Covered Bridge

- Arnie mentioned that Marion Hafner from Newton Bartlett Funeral Home has invited the Newport Historical Society come by and review old funeral home documents they have.
- Larry presented information on old Municipal records he has been sorting for professional archiving (thanks to Moose Plate Grants). There was a discussion about municipal and the organizations in town and where and how the organizations keep their historical records.
- Program suggestion by Cathryn – Archiving artifacts.
- Cathryn suggested that the NHS all sign a card for Cathy and Gunter Hubert congratulating them on their retirement.
- Cathryn spoke of the International Work Camp and how they may be able to help with some task for the NHS. They will be here the last week of July and the 1st week of August. **A Donation by the NHS to support the effort is requested.**

With no other business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM

A Motion to adjourn was made by Larry.
The Second to the Motion was made by Arnie.
The Motion was ACCEPTED by all; rejected by none.

Dean Stetson
Recording Secretary (Pro Temp)