

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

Meeting Called to Order: By President Cathryn Baird at 6:30 PM.

Board Members Present: Cathryn Baird, Jerry Hagebusch- Vice President, Jackie Cote-Treasurer, Dean Stetson Secretary Pro-Tempore, Pris Hagebusch, Stan Sweeney, Rita James, Laura McCrillis, Jayna Hooper. Dr. Arthur Walsh.

Absent: Larry Cote Museum Director, Annette Menard, Tobin Menard, Arnie Hebert,

Public Present: There were no members of the public present.

Public Forum:

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on October 8th, 2018 were open for discussion. No one presented any amendments or corrections.

A Motion to accept the minutes of the October 8th meeting was made by Jackie.

The Second to the Motion was made by Jerry

The Motion was ACCEPTED by all and rejected by none.

Treasurer's Report

Abbreviated Treasurers reports for the month of October 2018 were presented to the group for review. Members of the board looked over the information and had no specific questions at the time. More comprehensive reports will be provided at the next meeting.

- There was also an email vote prior to this meeting and it was approved by the majority to “rolling” the current 7-Day CD with a balance of \$28,272.53 into a 25 month CD with a rate of 2.1% at Sugar River Savings Bank. On November 21st, The 7 day CD will be rolled over into a longer term CD and will mature in 2020.
- Covered Bridge account Currently at \$16,141.

Fundraising Report –

- The Fundraising committee will be meeting with Northern Lights to get a sample of bridge a Corbin Covered Bridge ornament.
- Sales at the Sugar River Bank are brisk with \$156 the first week and \$278 the second week.

Museum Report from Larry Cote:

- The Kenneth Andler painting of the Nibble Light with a stain is still under review.
- We received a large number of Billy B. Ban items from Pete Harding.
- Maxine Houle was unanimously approved to have a Museum Key.

Membership Report:

- Membership for the NHS ended at 282 for the 2018 FY. (275 in 2017)

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- To date NHS has received 192 renewals.
- The raffle Drawing for 5 winners will be held at the town time on November 20th.

Old Business:

New Business:

- The topic of the upper valley land trust and the McDonough Farm was shared resulting in members providing personal donations to the NHS to then be dispensed as a donation on behalf of the NHS. It is recommended to invite Becky and /or Ben to the NHS and discuss possibly as a program.
- The topic of WiFi at the Museum was discussed among the group and resulted in; that if a compelling reason to provide WiFi at the Museum is necessary, the first step would be to provide a stop-gap measure through a repeater or booster from the Courthouse Wifi.

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

- Flyer Clean-up. Trying to have example for costing for Nov 17th meeting.
- Director's reports: There were no director reports at this meeting
- What is the Next Fundraising and promotional tool?
- Dean suggested having a schedule to distribute event info in both print and electronic media throughout the next months:
- Face book Plan – Shannon Mac Michael
- Parade discussion with Chris Smith
- Margo and Mary will be the point people regarding Dinner in the bridge.
- Postal Cancellation – Dean to speak with Jonathan Ryba at the Newport Post Office.
- CCB Float possibly in 2019 Homecoming parade.
- 5K Race – PJ – Map needs to be reviewed.
- Braiding, Fibercrafts, Spinners, weavers, braided Rugs, Perry Rugs, appliqué. Nancy DeCecre and friends.
- Bruce Koslik is on-Board as Transportation Director

With no other business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM

A Motion to adjourn was made by Jackie, seconded by Jerry.

The Second to the Motion was made by all.

The Motion was ACCEPTED by all; rejected by none.

Dean Stetson

Recording Secretary (Pro Temp)