

NEWBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 3, 2009

Board members present: Margie, Weiler, Bill Weiler, Dennis Pavilcek, Alice Lynn, Shelly Candidus, Barbara Steward, and Mary Thayer

Board members absent: Deane Geddes, Bob Morris

Members present: Rich Cole, Gay and Marty Sheary, David Thayer

Barbara Steward called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Minutes of May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting were corrected. Bill stated that the date should have been May 7<sup>th</sup>. Dennis made a motion to accept these minutes and it was seconded by Margie. All were in favor.

Treasurer's report was handed out and Margie stated that this was for the new fiscal year. She stated that book sales are making money. We received a donation from the Town of Newbury for \$1000.00. Donations have been received totaling \$425.00. The beginning balance as of 6/1/2009 was \$6, 113.73 the ending balance as of 9/3/2009 is \$7,351.55. Dues have been received from only 10 individual members, 20 family members, 40 life members and 1 business. Bill suggested that a letter be sent out with a self addressed envelope enclosed to encourage more people to join. This would be about 36 people. Margie stated that she would check to see those members whose membership has lapsed and notify them also by mail.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ARCHIVES:** Bill has completed the management policy and it was sent to Bob with a recommendation made that it be put on the agenda for approval. Bill has done a great deal of research. Rich Cole thanked Bill for all his work stating that he did an excellent job. Comment was made by Rich regarding 3D artifacts. Rich didn't know why these artifacts would be accepted. Bill replied that because of capacity to store these items was the problem. These are mostly large objects and they are in the way. Rich asked why they couldn't be stored in a safe place in the basement of the Town Offices. Bill stated that paper was much easier to deal with. There are also some problems with security. About 15 to 20 keys are out and no one really knows who has them. It was suggested that maybe the locks should be changed. Barbara suggested that a statement be added to the security portion of the policy stating that the pipe draining system is correctly taken care of for the winter months. Bill asked that this be tabled until the next meeting. He asked that people read the policy and e-mail any comments or changes to him and he will present a new draft.

**HISTORIC MARKERS:** Gay said that she has received forms from 6 people. She will get these markers painted and they will be presented to the people at the wreath sale on November 28<sup>th</sup>.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Rich commented that he has had no response to the form he sent out. Margie gave him her form at that time. He said he will proceed to do further work on this item. He would like to advertise in the local papers. Margie suggested that maybe members whose dues have lapsed should be contacted. Bill again suggested that self addressed stamped envelopes be sent with letters requesting membership. Rich stated that he will be receiving dues from the Fells.

**NEWSLETTER:** Barbara stated that Jean Cole will help her with the newsletter. Barbara asked the board when they thought this should be sent out. She also stated that she would like to put in something pertaining to the history of Newbury. Shelly asked about the diary from Richard Perkins typed up by Larry Bennett from Sutton. It was also suggested that the Davis cabins write up might be of interest. Bill commented that the Kearsarge Magazine is going to do an article on this as it is the oldest business in Newbury. Bill also found an article of the Sunapee Mountain Hotel across from Lake Station. He will do more research on this. Dennis made a suggestion to find interesting articles and discuss it at the next meeting.

**WEB-SITE:** Bruce was not present at the meeting. Everyone said that he is doing a terrific job.

**WE REMEMBER NEWBURY:** Shelly stated that nothing has been done. She asked when the board thought that we should have the next event. Shelly will try to find a moderator and maybe see if mid-November would be a good time. Dennis suggested that the committee come up with this information. Barbara asked if someone would be willing to take her place as she is too involved.

**PALS:** Barbara asked if the society still wanted to be members. Many comments were made stating that the programs have been excellent and that the society should continue to be members.

**WALKING TOURS:** Rich has only received one form back from the committee so he will go forth and plan to have this tour next year.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Barbara stated that Bob will continue on the board but will not run for President. A letter was received from Mary and she will resign as secretary but will continue on the board until her term expires.

Dennis nominated Barbara for President. This nomination was seconded by Shelly. All were in favor.

Dennis nominated Shelly for Vice-President. This nomination was seconded by Mary. All were in favor.

The position of secretary will have to be tabled until the next meeting.

Bill nominated Margie as Treasurer. This nomination was seconded by Dennis. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Thayer, Secretary

