

Newbury Historical Society
November 4 2015

Board members present: Gay Sheary, Bill Weiler, Margie Weiler, Claire Vannatta, Deane Geddes, Ashley Geddes, Marilyn Soper, and Paula Falkowski.

Bill called the meeting to order at **7:30 PM**.

Minutes: The Minutes of 9/9/2015 were accepted, with four typo corrections: 1. In treasurer's report, strike the word "for" in the first sentence. 2. In House Markers, change "build" to "built" in second line. 3. In Newsletter, strike "the" before Elijah Grace. 4. In Election of Officers, strike "The" before Marilyn.

Treasurer's Report: Claire reported that as of the end of June the Conservation Fund balance remained \$974.20, the Life Member Fund balance remained \$5,200.00, and the operating fund was \$17,485.32. The checking account total was \$874.90 and the savings account \$17,742.87. Income since the last meeting was \$5.33. Expenses were \$49 for printing, \$100 for research, and \$50.97 for the website.

Membership: Marilyn reported on the mailing to 78 who had not renewed their memberships. In addition to 28 renewals and 3 new memberships received between the September mailing and this meeting, \$320 in donations were also recorded. The total donations received for the year is now \$795.

Marilyn announced that all NH towns are welcome to submit their online content to NHHistory.Org.

Marilyn announced that the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance board would visit South Newbury this Friday specifically to see the South Newbury Church as well as the Grange Hall and Town Hall.

OLD BUSINESS:

Board Vacancy: Bill announced that John Lyons has turned down our invitation to serve on the board.

Archives: Bill said that Deane is going to take over the downloading of the data from the monitoring of the vault temperature and humidity.

History Committee: Bill expressed his concern that Historical Society content is stored in a free "box" account (cloud storage) which is in his name, since he will not be around forever to manage it. He recently discovered that "box" is offering free accounts to non-profit organizations and has set up an account in the Society's name. He is now trying to figure out how to move the content between accounts.

South Newbury Buildings: Paula said that the consensus was that the new signs for Sherman Hall be painted black with gold leaf lettering. The price including installation is \$310. This was moved, seconded and passed.

House Markers: Gay will have mention made in Judy LaPorte's column that the house age specification had been changed from "built by 1901" to "built more than 100 years ago." All agreed. Gay will write a new letter and Margie will make the change on the web site.

Newsletter: Deane said that the committee had been unable to meet.

2016 Annual Meeting: Marilyn will approach James Garvin to determine if he is willing to speak.

Web Site: Margie is doing the usual updates.

NEW BUSINESS:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Margie Weiler, Secretary

MEETING DATES: Board Meetings (2nd Thursday, odd months): **January 14; March 10; May 12**