

Newbury Historical Society
Minutes
January 10, 2019

Board members present: Deane Geddes, Ashley Geddes, Bill Weiler, Margie Weiler, Gay Sheary, Paula Falkowski and John Lyons.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes: The Minutes of November 8, 2018 were approved and accepted with two corrections. See attached.

Treasurer's Report: Bill provided the attached Treasurer's Report.

Membership: Margie provided the attached Membership Report.

Annual Meeting: John reported the N.H. Humanities Council changed the way they reimburse for programs. They will give the program host \$200 to cover the presenter's fee, and the program host is responsible for paying the presenter the \$200 plus mileage, by check, at the program. John will send the NHHC link to the board so each member can choose two possible program topics.

Archives: Bill reported that Lynn Clark continues to work on cataloging the archives in Sherman Hall. He said she was recently named executive director of the Warner Historical Society and has had to adjust her schedule. Bill is expecting to soon receive the seven town books sent to the New England Document Conservation Center in Andover, Mass.

Historic House Markers: Gay reported she is waiting to receive the markers for the Grange Hall (1902) and Sherman Hall (1916) from Bruce McKenzie.

History Committee: The November meeting was canceled because of voting. The December meeting focused on town cemeteries. The January meeting was postponed because of the weather. Robert Hemingway will join the group in February to share his information about Henry Hancox.

Newsletter: Paula noted that John has given her an article about water troughs in Newbury. We are also planning to include information about the book on Newbury's history. Deanne, Ashley and Paula will plan on getting together to publish a newsletter this spring.

Old Home Day: N/A

South Newbury Buildings: Bill reported the vote to place the three South Newbury historic buildings on the State Register of Historic Places will take place this month. John asked about the cost of renovating the Grange Hall. Bill said he would get John a copy of the engineering/architectural study done previously.

Website: Margie and Bill are looking into getting a new website host. John would like to see links to the NHS newsletter on other Newbury websites and through the Newbury Times.

Town History Committee: John said he is waiting to receive from Dennis the proposed warrant article regarding the book. Articles on the book appeared in the Newbury Times and InterTown Record. The group discussed the relationship of the NHS and the Town regarding the book. We also discussed fundraising, oral histories, publicity and a letter to the NHS membership.

Other Business: Deane told the group he had received correspondence from Harry Cheney regarding an eight-day clock that was previously in the South Newbury School (now Friendship House). We discussed the possibility of accepting it as a gift and hanging it in the Friendship House. Deane will get more information and report back to us.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Paula Falkowski, Secretary

Upcoming 2019 Board Meetings (2:30 p.m.):

March 14

May 9

July 11

September 12

November 14