

Wilmot Historical Society Minutes of April 19, 2019 Meeting

Present: Chair Elizabeth Kirby, Fred Ogmundson, Nancy Bates, Treasurer Mary Fanelli, Julie Morse, Vice-president Lindy Heim, Catherine Stearns, Marc Davis.

Excused: Judy Hauck, secretary

Meeting opened at 1:06 p.m. in the Town Office

Minutes: Mary Fanelli read the minutes for Judy Hauck. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

Ledyard Checking	\$19,012.59
Mascoma	\$18,162.67
Bar Harbor CD	\$10,150.00 (approx.)

This CD will be cashed out in May.

Membership to date: 63

Donations to date: \$3,305

OLD BUSINESS

Insurance: Nancy Bates reported that she has quotes from two different companies. The cost includes 1) general liability; 2) directors' and officers' insurance; 3) employee practices insurance. Nancy explained why all three are recommended for a non-profit board. Two quote were \$850 from one company and \$900 through Colby Insurance Group. Nancy made a motion to go with the \$900/year at Colby Insurance. Julie seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership postcard reminder: Mary Fanelli asked if she should send a postcard reminder to those members who have not yet sent in their dues, she will send email reminders to those with email and postcards to those who do not have email. She was not sure of the cost but thought that we should do it as in previous years the reminder stimulated a lot of membership renewals.

Sanborn/Jones interview: Lindy Heim will set this up. Fred will attend with other members of the committee to finish a previous interview where some footage was lost.

Harrison Hunt: Liz has this on her radar. We hope to get the history room back in order so she can do the interview in that room.

SCORE Meeting: Nancy Bates reported on the meeting with Roberta Grady from SCORE. Judy Hauck, Liz Kirby, Mary Fanelli, and Nancy met with Robbie twice and came up with a list of goals and objectives that we can give to Margaret Doody in order to help Margaret create a questionnaire for a feasibility study to determine community response to purchasing a new home for the WHS collections.

May 19 program: WWII in New Hampshire & Signature Quilt Display

Fred reported that all is set for Mr. Gfroerer to give his presentation. He will need a projector and a screen to show his videos. Judy has purchased a new projector and screen. Nancy will check to make sure there is a cord to hook up to Mr. Gfroerer's computer. Lindy is in charge of displaying the antique signature quilt that we received from the Clark family and restored by Judy Rayno. Luann Clark will bring several of the people who signed the quilt. Janet Howe will do refreshments.

Post Office Window Display: The main window on the right as you go into the post office is spoken for through the rest of the year, however, the WHS can use the left window for a display to promote the organization and particularly the dinner that we will be serving at the bandstand in July. Nancy and Judy have offered to decorate the window.

History Room: Nancy brought in the supplies to put legs on the map case. It will be used mainly for doing projects as there is no leg room under it to use for a desk or table. Ed Weaver has offered to put the legs on for us.

Docents: Liz has asked Janet Howe to help with training docents. Liz has several people lined up. History room will open when the Farmers Market opens on June 22. If anyone knows someone who would like to be a docent, we could use more help in that area.

Curiosity Shop: Lindy has booked three definite days: July 13, August 3, and September 7. A fourth day might be added at the end of September.

NEW BUSINESS

Andover Historical Society has invited Wilmot and "Salisbury Historical Societies to exhibit at the annual 4th of July celebrations in Andover this summer. We would share a room with another historical society and each would have one six-foot-long table. The committee requests that only one person at a time be at the table as the room is quite small. Luann suggested table be used about 1/2 for sales/promo and 1/2 for exhibits. Liz will

head up this effort and Fred Ogmundson and Catherine Stearns will each take a shift. Anyone else is welcome to join them.

Bandstand Supper: July 27 is our evening to serve supper at the bandstand. The brats in beer went over so well last year, we decided to do the same menu. The Kearsarge Community Band will be playing that evening.

New Acquisitions: Nancy Langley and Lynn Solomon both donated relevant items to the WHS. Catherine Stearns has these items at the moment. Nancy is Clara Langley's daughter and Lynn just sold her home, which used to be the Mink Farm on NH Route 4A.

Donald Hall Farm Auction: There will be an estate sale Wednesday, May 8, from 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Preview: Weds from 12-5:30 pm at W.A. Smith Auction Gallery in Plainfield, NH.

OLD BUSINESS (cont.)

Survey Records from North Wilmot: Catherine Stearns has been going through old survey records given to the WHS by John Morse who had them passed to him by John Stearns, a relative of Catherine's. She has sorted through them into two categories: maps and deeds. Much of the collection will go to the State Surveyors collection and the rest will stay with us.

Feasibility study: The focus list that was put together by the building committee was passed out to everyone. Liz asked that anyone having suggestions to add, to please contact Nancy or her. Next week Nancy will contact Margaret Doody and work with her on the feasibility. Margaret will put together a survey to distribute to key people.

Donald Hall DVD: Lindy reported that sales are going well at the Morgan Hill Book Store. We have earned \$380 so far from sales.

Liz asked if there were any other business to be discussed. Hearing none, she made a motion to close the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Fanelli, treasurer
for Judy Hauck, secretary

Next meeting has been moved to one week earlier than our usual schedule.

May 10 at 1 p.m. in the town office.

Action Items

- Lindy - schedule a second Jones/Sanborn oral history.
- Nancy - purchase D&O, general liability and Employee Practices insurance from Colby Ins. Group.
- Judy and Nancy - put up a WHS display in the second W.O.W. display case at the Post Office for July and August.
- Liz - Co-ordinate the 9 am to 3 pm July 4th historical table at the Andover HUB with Fred and Catherine helping out.
- Nancy and Lindy - produce mini posters to promote the Curiosity Shop and the WHS bandstand supper.