

Wilmot Historical Society
Monday August 6, 2012
9:30 A.M. -10:30 A.M.
History Room, Town Offices

Present: Marc Davis, Esther Grace, Liz Kirby, Mary Fanelli, Judy Hauck, Lindy Heim, Nola Aldrich, Janet Howe and guest Dolly Fowler Mailloux.

Secretary's Report

Report was approved as submitted

Review new correspondence: Liz Kirby's letter of resignation was regretfully accepted

Walter Walker letter: Mary felt that the Town did not want the WHS to do anything about the letter, but that it was given to us for our records. Mary and Marc will reread letter after the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Our checking account holds \$7,496.71, with a \$580.00 deposit to be made shortly from proceeds of the Curiosity Shop. So far this year the Curiosity shop has generated \$892.75.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moose Grant:

The refurbishing of the stage curtain will go forward starting 2 to 3 days after the Presidential Election of November 6th, and should be completed by the Sunday after the Election (Nov 11), for the Annual Meeting. The volunteers who will be working on the curtain will need housing and meals, so Board volunteers will be needed to supply these. Janet will ask Alice Field, President of SKIT, for advice as to the placement of the curtain.

Future SKIT opportunity:

It was proposed that the Board choose a date for a future SKIT event in consultation with Alice Field. A May event (at any time in the future) was preferred, as is a play with an historical theme. It was advised that for any future event a written agreement should be provided that designates who (SKIT or WHS) will be responsible for programs and advertisements. It was also specified that, food will be provided by the WHS for performances only. Janet will call Alice and discuss the items above.

By-Law updates:

It was noted that the Wilmot Historical Society is given several different names in the by-laws, (Corporation, Society, Wilmot Historical Society...) and therefore further corrections are needed to define the name and then be consistent throughout the document.

WHS Web Site Links to other sites:

It was decided that we should link to other sites from the WHA web site, and that the first of such links should be the Town of Wilmot, the Wilmot Public Library, and the NH Historical Society, in that order. Mary will add a page called (suggested) Odds and Ends to the website.

Curiosity Shop/History Room

History room vacancies for greeting people exist for Sept 8,15,22, and 27

New cash policy for Curiosity Shop: The Shop will retain \$50.00 in cash to be as seed money. Julie will deposit anything above this number each week.

Julie will (wo)man a mini version of the Curiosity Shop at the Town Hall for Old Home Day.

Preservation/Acquisition

Marc and Judy will meet to propose a policy for:

Collection categories

What is to be preserved

How it is to be preserved

How it is to be viewed by Community

What should we keep in the History Room, other areas?

How are irrelevant items to be disposed?

Program:

The February musical program to be held at the WCA will be a collaboration with the NH Humanities Council, and must be booked 3 months in advance. A date of Sunday, Feb 3rd was suggested.

Membership Numbers:

As of August 3, membership was 102. There are 38 people who were members last year who did not renew for this year. It was proposed that Mary send postcards to these people to remind them to re-up.

Action Items

Lindy

(15 minutes)

Marc **Bonding and Insurance**

Marc will continue to research the Town policy in respect to the above.

Marc **The Boston Post Cane**

Judy and Marc **Digitizing Policy** It was suggested that at this point the Board needs to determine a policy for what to collect and retain and that we schedule a BOD meeting for this purpose, the conclusions to be disseminated to the Preservation/Acquisition Committee.

Mary **Web site**

www.wilmothhistoricalsociety.org

Mary will add a page called (suggested) Odds and Ends to the web site.

Book Sales: The WHS will no longer sell the Town History book (Bicentennial).

Janet **Programming** continue planning the November program with Fred and start the process for the Feb. program too, possibly Rebecca Rule's logging program?

Marc, Mary and Judy **WHS bylaws** make a draft of the old and new bylaws wording juxtaposed for the membership come November. Add reasoning for the changes. This document is to be sent to the membership 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting along with the agenda for that meeting and our website address where the full bylaws will be posted for review.

Post the bylaws changes at the Town Offices, Town Hall, in the Intertown and Concord Monitor Neighbor columns.

Lindy **CS and History Room volunteer schedule** fill holes and send reminders

Julie and Mary **End of the year (March) Financial Report** post on our website.

NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD MONDAY SEPT. 10 AT THE TOWN OFFICES AT 9:30.