

NEWTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of May 12, 2014
Merrimac Savings Bank

Members present:	Bill Landry	Mary Riordan	Karen O'Malley	Ron Saunders
	Kathy Meserve	John Meserve	Marilyn Landry	Barb DiBartolomeo
	Sally Woodman			

Bill Landry called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Secretary's Report – Mary Riordan

Marilyn Landry made a motion to accept the minutes of April 14, 2014. Sally Woodman seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Landry

The Checking income was from donations and a transfer from the Money Market account. Expenses were for the electric bill, State of NH Letter of Standing fee, Adam Boyce presentation, Newton Food Pantry and postage.

The Money Market income was from interest. Expenses were for the transfer to the Checking account. Barb DiBartolomeo made a motion to accept the April 30, 2014 Treasurers' Reports. Marilyn Landry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Old Business:

Stage Curtain grant: Bill Landry reported he sent the DUNS # and Letter of Standing for the grant application. All required information has been submitted for our grant application.

Marshall House Barn repair: Bill Landry met with Rob Hayes and asked for a new quote for the repair of the Barn. The Society will help do the work. When Bill gets the quote he will take it to the Selectmen.

Middle School Program: Bill Landry sent an email to Becky Sanborn and Nicole Wolfe. Nicole indicated they may be ready to provide us more detail at our June meeting.

Updated Channel 20 Slide: Bill Landry reported he had updated one Channel 20 slide and gave them a slide for the next presentation. The Cable people made their own slide with the information that is difficult to read. Bill will contact them about it.

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New Business:

Memorial Day Parade Participation: Marilyn and Bill Landry and Mike Hughes will put in the flags at the Highland and Town Hall cemeteries. The school does the flags at Willow Grove Cemetery.

Dedication: Bill Landry reported the Selectmen were looking for a Grand Marshall for the parade. They are looking to honor someone from the Town. They contacted Bill for information. He sent them information on Bill Moisan, a decorated World War II veteran and a professional baseball player.

Reports of Curators & Committee Chairpersons:

Curators: Ron Saunders reported he has gone through the items from Betsy Greenwood. Ron received some more items from Bill Ingalls. He will go through them to determine what we want to keep.

Historian: No report

Archivist: Karen O'Malley she has finished with the items from Colleen Jones and Betsy Greenwood. She has Almanacs from 1850-1923. She will need more storage boxes to store them. She will let Bill know how many she needs. She'd like to have the boxes dedicated to items. She will label the boxes so we can find things.

Programs: Sally Woodman reported our next presentation "Spirits of the Granite State" by Roxie Zwicker is on Wednesday May 28th. Bill has sent out the emails, slide for Cable Channel 20 and article to the Carriage Town News.

Sally received a promotion for a New Hampshire map with historic points of interest from the New Hampshire Humanities Council. Kathy Meserve made a motion to purchase the map for \$25. Sally Woodman seconded the motion. The motion passed 8 yeas, 1 abstention.

Bill asked when we should begin scheduling next year's presentations. Sally indicated the NHHC is cutting back so we should start soon. Bill noted that the music presentations went over very good. Sally will bring a list of possibilities to the June meeting.

Web Site Status: Mary Riordan reported she made the changes from the last meeting. She is still looking for something to "play" the photos. She will send the URL to the members for their review.

Correspondence: Bill Landry received an email from Tom Dangremond, the Website Administrator, from the First Congregational Church of Kingston asking if we had known the year of a picture showing the Newton meeting house. Bill replied the photo was circa: 1891 since it contained the Church and the Society Hall. He sent Tom a section from our 250th Anniversary booklet on the building and gave him permission to use it on their web site.

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Other:

2014 Dues are due: Bill Landry reminded the members that dues are due.

Hanh Family visit to Primary School Museum: Bill Landry gave the Hanh Family a tour of the Primary School House. They were looking for information for a school project.

Next Meeting: Monday June 9, 2014, 7:00 PM at the Merrimac Savings Bank.

Bill Landry adjourned the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Riordan, Secretary