

# Newton Historical Society

Minutes of December 13, 2016  
Sargent Woods Community Center

Members present:	Bill Landry	Mary Riordan	Karen O'Malley	Ron Saunders
	Sally Woodman	Cheryl Saunders	Marilyn Landry	Barb DiBartolomeo
	Mike Hughes	Kim Hughes		

Bill Landry called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

## **Secretary's Report – Mary Riordan**

Marilyn Landry made a motion to accept the minutes of November 14, 2016. Cheryl Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

## **Treasurer's Report – Bill Landry**

The Checking income was from interest. Expenses were for the electric bill, PO Box rental and supplies. The Money Market income was from interest. Expenses were for annual schoolhouse insurance premium, NHHC donation and supplies (tree lights & electrical). Sally Woodman made a motion to accept the November 30, 2016 Treasurers' Reports. Cheryl Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

## **Old Business:**

**NH Humanities Council Donation:** Bill Landry reported he received a thank you for our \$100 donation.

**Carriage Seat Repair:** Bill Landry reported he has not heard back from Mr. Gotswald on when he will begin the work. Bill will contact him in the spring.

**Historic N E Reception:** Bill Landry reported the people from Historic New England were very pleased with the reception. Lorna Condon and Carl Nold would like to set up a tour of their Haverhill Museum for our members.

## **New Business:**

**Election of Officers:** The slate of officers nominated for 2017:

President – Bill Landry, Vice President – Kathy Meserve, Secretary – Mary Riordan, Treasurer – Bill Landry, Executive Board – Ron Saunders and Barbara DiBartolomeo, Curators – Ron & Cheryl Saunders, Historian – Roger Hamel, Archivist – Karen O'Malley, Programs – Sally Woodman, Web Site – Mary Riordan. Sally Woodman made a motion authorizing the Secretary to cast one vote for the slate of officers. Marilyn Landry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote. Secretary Mary Riordan cast one vote in favor of the slate of officers.

## **Other:**

**Donation to the Newton Food Pantry:** Barbara DiBartolomeo made a motion to donate \$100 to the Newton Food Pantry. Cheryl Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote. Bill Landry will get 10 \$10 gift cards to Market Basket.

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**Other: (Continued)**

**William Fregosi visit to view state curtains:** Bill Landry showed William Fregosi our stage curtains. William saw the curtains on our website. He is the Technical Coordinator for Music & Theater Arts at MIT, and a painter of stage curtains as well as involved in several arts and entertainment organizations.

**Reports of Curators & Committee Chairpersons:**

**Curators:**

**Barn electrical project** – Ron Saunders reported

Ron has received several compliments on the decorated tree at the schoolhouse. He suggested we engage Kevin Amero from KMA Tree in the spring to remove all the lights and the star before the tree grows around the wires.

Karen O'Malley noted we have 2 copies of most annual reports. She will get Ron a list of what we have to avoid more duplicates.

**Historian:** No report

**Archivist:** Karen O'Malley suggested we need someone to help set up displays for the items after they are accessioned. Kim & Mike Hughes volunteered to her with this.

Karen O'Malley spoke with Ralph Estabrook about being interviewed. Ralph thinks he and his father would do the interview. Karen will schedule a meeting for a Saturday in January.

**Programs:** Sally Woodman confirmed the following presentations for 2017:

April 19<sup>th</sup> – NH Covered Bridges

June 7<sup>th</sup> – Sears Roebuck & Montgomery Ward: The 100 year War

Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> – Isle of Shoals

Sally will talk to the Travel club at Sargent Woods and co-ordinate with the Meserves about having a trip to the Isle.

**Web Site Status:** Mary Riordan reported Robert Dezmelyk has initiated the transfer of the domain name. Bill will let Mary know when he gets the email. Mary will check with GoDaddy on how long this takes.

**Correspondence:** None

**Next Meeting:** Monday April 10, 2017, 6:30 PM at the Sargent Woods Community Center.

Bill Landry adjourned the meeting at 7:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Riordan, Secretary