

Newton Historical Society

Minutes of December 12, 2022
Sargent Woods Community Center

Members Present:	Bill Landry	Sally Woodman	Mary Riordan	Barb DiBartolomeo
	David Simpson	Roger Hamel	Marilyn Landry	John Meserve
	Diane Morin	Karen O'Malley	Cheryl Simpson	Kathy Meserve
	Jane Hamel			

Diane Morin called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

Secretary's Report – David Simpson

Mary Riordan made a motion to accept the minutes of April 12, 2022. John Meserve seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Landry

Money Market Account.

The Money Market income was from interest and expenses were for annual Schoolhouse Insurance (\$472.00), the Until bill (\$18.38) and Collins Tree Service (\$1,200.00) for tree work at the Primary School. John Meserve made a motion to accept the November 2021 Treasurers' Report. Marilyn Landry seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Old Business:

Election Of Officers For 2023:

President - David Simpson
Vice President – Karen O'Malley
Treasurer - Bill Landry
Secretary -David Simpson

Slate of Duties: Diane Morin cast 1 vote to accept the slate of officers. All are in favor.
Effective date of transfer of duties. 1/1/2023.

New Business:

Meeting Schedule for 2023:

April 10, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.
December 11, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

Primary School Roof Project:

Bill Landry has stated that now that the necessary tree work has been completed by Collins Tree Service the plan to replace the roof at the Primary School should begin within the next couple of weeks around the Holidays.

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Fall Festival:

John Meserve has related to the members that the amount of food at the Fall Festival is perhaps more substantial than we need, and a lot is going to be wasted. So, John Thought a “Food Czar” could be helpful to better manage the projected attendance to food needed for the event. The members agree.

John Meserve also stated that we need to think about new creative ways to advertise and get the word out about the Fall Festival to increase attendance. The Members will discuss this at the April 10th meeting.

Curators: Ron and Cheryl Saunders.

The Cobbler shop windows will be addressed at the April 10th meeting.

Historian Roger Hamel:

Roger Hamel had one research project for Mr. Tim Hadger who wanted information about 117 N. Main St.

In June of 2022 Roger received a request from Marie Sapienza of the New Hampshire Society of Photographic artists project to compile a list of houses in Newton that are over 200 years old. Roger stated that Newton has about 30 houses that fit the age criteria and was happy to assist.

Archivist: Karen O'Malley.

Karen O'Malley would like to move the Historical Society data backup to an off-site location as this would provide an added layer of security for the data. Mary Riordan offered to store the data backup at her location.

Web Site Mary Riordan: Mary reported that there were over 300 unique visitors to the Newton N.H. Historical Society website per month. The 2020 Fall Festival pictures are up.

Correspondence: None

Next Meeting: Monday April 10, 2023, 6:00 PM at the Sargent Woods Community Center.

Diane Morin adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.

After the meeting the 13 members in attendance enjoyed food, beverages, and a Yankee Swap at our annual Christmas party.

Respectfully submitted,

David Simpson,

Secretary