

Newport Historical Society Monthly Board Meeting
Monday, April 10, 2016
Nettleton House

1. **Call to Order** by President Cathryn Baird at 6:38 p.m.
2. **Members Present:** Cathryn Baird, Jackie Cote, Larry Cote, Priscilla Hagebusch, Arnie Hebert, Jayna Hooper, Rita James, Dean Stetson, Stan Sweeney
3. The **Treasurer's Report** was distributed by Jackie Cote, with the following account summaries:
 - i. Accounting Summaries of 3/1/17 to 3/31/17
 - ii. Main Operating Account, Fiscal Year ending 9/30/17: *Mar. 2017 Income and Expenditures were reviewed.*
 - iii. Nettleton House Account, FY ending 9/30/17: *Mar. 2017 income/expenditures reviewed.*
 - iv. NHS Budget Comparison Operating Acct. – Income, 10/1/16-9/30/17: *Mar. 2017 income reviewed.*
 - v. NHS Budget Comp. Operating Acct. – Expenses, 10/1/16-9/30/17: *Mar. 2017 expenses reviewed.*
 - vi. NHS Budget Comp. Nettleton Acct. – Income, 10/1/16 – 9/30/17: *Mar. 2017 sales/donation income reviewed.*
 - vii. NHS Budget Comp. Nettleton Acct. – Expenses, 10/1/16 – 9/30/17: *Mar. 2017 building expenses reviewed.*

Dean moved to accept the Treasurer's reports for January and February; Rita seconded the motion; approved unanimously.

4. **The Fundraising Report** was given by Jackie Cote.
 - The NHS has 9 postcards available for sale, with two – possibly three – more in the works (Dr. Gallagher's South Church image, an owl image, and potentially a winter scene of the Corbin Covered Bridge by Erin Barnes Nicoletti).
 - The NHS will participate in the following events:
 - o Chamber Day: Saturday, June 17th, from 9:30-1:30.
 - o Airport Open House: Saturday, June 3rd, from 8-3.
 - Dick Leone and Ronnie Leone have given permission for the World War II journal of their step-mother, Hope Johnson Miller Leone, to be printed. The journal details Hope's experience as an internee, held by the Japanese, in the Santo Tomas prison camp in Manila, from 1942-1945. The Leone brothers are looking for a photograph of Hope to complement the journal.

To date, the NHS has 245 members, which is 15 short from last year's high of 260.

5. The **Museum Report** was given by Larry Cote.
 - The NHS had 11 visitors sign the guest book during the month of March; and five donations of artifacts were received. The NHS purchased a photograph of the Newport rifles for \$53.25.
 - Ken Dennis has invited the NHS to put pictures on either side of the town office's lower entrance. The board agreed that this would be a good thing to do.
 - Two-sided carved cemetery signs are currently being designed, overseen by Ken Dennis. The NHS may decide once the sign is produced and quoted if we'd like to support this initiative.
 - LED Spotlights are being added to the hallway. They will be ordered through Greg Stout at LaValley's, and Brent Morin will perform the installment.
 - Michael Hale will cap the east side wall for \$1500 and will also determine whether the chimneys need pointing.
6. **New Business:**

- The board elected to donate \$100 to the Sugar River Softball League so that they will advertise the NHS with a sign on the softball field's fence.
- The Ruger Mill has been featured in the N.H. Preservation Alliance's newsletter.
- Cathryn shared a proclamation issued by the Town of Newport in 1994 [?] in recognition of International Month and the international workcamp serving in the town.
- Articles for the upcoming NHS newsletter were confirmed.
- John Tariot has found another BBV movie, "Where are your Husbands?" He is working with Becky Rylander to put together a viewing during the summer.
- The NHS will participate in the Sunapee Historical Society's fundraising effort at Dexter's Inn on July 12th. Dean and Jayna will present an encore of their August presentation on BBV.
- Paul Rheingold will be presenting on BBV on July 6th, in conjunction with the Sunapee Historical Society.
- Dean has produced a clip of the NHS's Senior Center programming (held on the second Tuesday of each month), for access on the NHS website and for distribution on NCTV.
- Cathryn announced that the NCTV director, Jeff Nintzel, is retiring.

7. Old Business:

- Dean shared the text of the proclamation in honor of Killingworth's 35th anniversary. The proclamation will be signed by the Board of Selectmen and mailed to Killingworth. Jayna will edit the proclamation and consider print fonts, and Dean will oversee the printing and framing of the proclamation.
- Cathryn has spoken to Jane Rastallis concerning the Courthouse's chair/storage in the NHS annex. The Town Manager and David Hoyt will give Jane space in the bottom of the Opera House as soon as a place has been cleaned out.
- Cathryn and Larry will go ahead with implementing the key policy that has been recently put into print.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayna H. Hooper, Secretary