

Newport Historical Society
Executive Committee and General Membership Meetings
August 13, 2012 – 6:00 PM
Library Arts Center

Attendees: Cathryn Baird, Jackie Cote, Larry Cote, Jerry Hagebusch, Laura Kessler, Christina O'Brien.

1. Call to order at 6:08 PM by President Baird.
2. The minutes from the June 4th and July 9th meetings were reviewed and accepted as presented.
3. The treasurer's report was distributed and presented by Jackie Cote. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. Vote unanimously in favor. Motion carried. In addition, Jackie reported that the sign for the softball field should be delivered very soon.
4. Old Business:
 - A. The cost of the sign made by Bacon Graphics was given to the NHS as a gift in exchange for a business membership to the Society for Bacon Graphics.
 - B. The next sign that will be made will be one for the "Champollion – Corbin Gallery."
 - C. Christina will make signs that will be framed, recognizing generous donors to the museum. These will be located at appropriate places throughout the museum.

At this time the meeting transitioned to the General Meeting.

5. Museum Committee Update:

Larry reported that the museum has received a number of donations; in particular, the Grantham Historical Society donated *Sullivan County Reports* for the years 1874, 1876 and 1877. These donations were the result of the Society's wish list that was in the most recent newsletter.

Larry spoke with Fire Chief Wayne Conroy, regarding the smoke detectors on the second floor of the Court House. Chief Conroy said that he would take care of the detectors in question.

President Baird is working on getting local quotes for the reroofing of the museum.
6. New Business:
 - A. The motion was made by Christina O'Brien and seconded by Larry Cote, to re-establish the fund to have \$500.00 available for a Museum

Artifact Acquisition Fund, to purchase items for the museum, should they be needed. Vote unanimously in favor. Motion carried.

- B. Jackie shared that the second shipment of ornaments that we were sold out of (Corbin Bridge, Library and South Church), has arrived. Only thirty-two more of the 250th will be made.
- C. Reviewed members working the booth at the Apple Pie Crafts Fair.
- D. Christina spoke with a commercial window cleaner from Keene, who will be coming to look at the museum's windows and will give a quote for the work that needs to be done.
- E. Jackie contacted Barbara Kressey to help with the teaching of the computer program "Past Perfect."
- F. Jackie will work on the advertisement for the placemats that are used at Country Kitchen. She will also be working with Jim Chrimes on a t-shirt design.
- G. The membership drive letter will be sent out in the middle of September. Members are presently working on getting raffle prize contributors. The drawing for these prizes will be November 13, 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

The program, Marcia Schmidt Blaine's "Runaway Wives," began at 7:05 PM and ended at 8:00 PM. Seventy-five individuals enjoyed the program - *20 members and 56 guests (some of which are included on the list below).

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Kessler
Secretary

*Members Present: Cathryn Baird, Larry & Jackie Cote, Pris & Jerry Hagebusch, Christina O'Brien, Laura Kessler, Peter Martin, Rita James, Dean & Maura Stetson, Bidy & Peter Irwin, Gloria & Gardner Stetson, Bud & Judy Berry, Jack & June Lieberman, Clifford Richer.

*Guests: Kathy James, Pat Charpentier, Kaaren Drent, Margaret Howe, Jill Jones ?, Francis & Barbara Mutney (sp. ?), Nancy & Frank Farinella, Linda Jones, Al Elvestad, Dick & Joan Hastings, June Critchley, Cheryl Martel.