

Willington Historical Society (WHS)
Executive Board Meeting
March 19, 2019
Town Office Building, Common Room
40 Old Farms Road, Willington CT

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Bob Shabot.

Members present: Bob Shabot, Betty Robertson, Lisa Ferriere, Paul Weigold, Sue Schur

Present to speak - None

Approval of Minutes: The February 19, 2019 minutes were approved as presented following a motion by Bob Shabot, seconded by Paul Weigold.

Treasurer's report: Sue Schur reported that a transfer from the interest accrued in the MacFarlane Endowment account at Ameriprise has occurred. That covered the bill for heating oil. Additional money will be transferred by the end of March to pay for the upcoming insurance premium. A consensus was reached to again participate in Willington Day and the Flea Market, expending the necessary funds to secure our booth and pay for an ad in the respective programs. The new tri-fold has been printed, and it was suggested that the cost be paid from the Vanguard Funds, which also could be used to reimburse Bob for items he purchased at auction that enhance the collection (i.e., 2 peavees which are used for logging made by the Amidon Mill; an ice saw; and a 19th century wooden bowl.) **Sue Schur moved, Paul Weigold seconded that the cost of the tri-fold, and the additions to the collection be paid from the Vanguard Fund, which was received with the provision that the monies be used to promote the Historical Society's mission. Motion passed, with Bob Shabot abstaining. The entire treasurer's report was accepted following a motion by Bob Shabot, seconded by Lisa Ferriere.**

Old Business

Boiler Fundraising Update – As of this date, the Boiler Fund has \$2,447. There were no additional donations received since the last report. We will continue to seek donations toward the boiler, but only until September when it will be a year since installation.

Code Compliance: Bob has spoken with Jim in the Building Dept. We must signify what projects we will be working on as outlined in the revised code compliance report in order to receive the building permit. Paul W. is working on the necessary exit lights, and he and/or Mark Masinda should be the ones to follow up with the discussion with Jim. Then in the Fall we will need to renew the permit in order to grandfather us into the code as presented in the report.

Ruby Road Property Division: A discussion of a possible asking price for the property which will be subdivided into a 2 acre building lot, with the remainder combined with the property that the Tavern is on. Bob will contact Joe Philippi about the final mapping.

Winter Program/Spring Newsletter Mailing: The program on the World War One memorials will be presented on Wed. April 17th at the Town Office Building, Common Room. The newsletter should be ready to be printed and mailed the last week in March, in order to announce the program.

Split rail fencing/Certificate of Appropriateness: Subject tabled. The Historic District Commission meets in April.

Membership Drive: Two banners have been added to the webpage with the new slogans: "Society Membership: Start your relationship with Willington History!" and "Join us as we move forward but keep our eyes on the past!" There is a concern about the lack of active members, and hopefully there will be a response as a result of the webpage, the newsletter, and other publicity.

New Business

Property and Liability insurance: We have received quotes from a new carrier that includes coverage for the building and liability as well as coverage of the collection. **Bob Shabot moved, Paul Weigold seconded**, to acquire our insurance coverage through the New England Insurance Services, with the policy provided by Markel Insurance of Virginia. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Schur
Secretary, Pro Tem

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Received for record 3/28/2019
At 9:45am Shirley R. Shaw, T.C.