

**HARTLAND AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2013**

I. Attendance:

Board Members Present: Hildy Foley (16), Barbara Krueger (15), Bill McDevitt (16), Mike Forster (15), Janet Frick (15), Margaret Melville (14), John Ellis (14)

Also Present: Bob Ruby, Emma Winegarner, Nadine Cloutier, Diana Wells

Absent: John Wiese (16)

The meeting was called to order at 7pm.

II. Appointments and Election of Officers

There are two vacancies to serve out the terms of Shyrl Cone and Diana Wells on the board. H. Foley made a motion nominating John Ellis (14) to serve out the remainder of S. Cone's term. B. McDevitt seconded. The motion was approved.

The following officers were elected to fill a one year term:

H. Foley- President; B. McDevitt- Vice President; J. Ellis- Secretary; M. Foreter- Treasurer

III. Minutes from 13 May 2013

B. Krueger motioned to accept the minutes. Seconded. Approved.

IV. Financial Report (B. Krueger)

B. Krueger distributed the financial report for June 2013. There is currently \$3,531.05 in the checking account.

B. Krueger expects to see electrical bills become more stabilized now that the construction is complete. The board discussed the possibility of moving money to a higher interest bearing money market CD. More information will be gathered.

B. McDevitt motioned to accept the report. Seconded. Approved.

V. Vice President's Report (B. McDevitt)

B. McDevitt discussed selling historical images to be displayed at Village Market Pizza. The board indicated that they should be sold printed images rather than digital files.

There was discussion of the need for a portable wheel chair ramp. B. McDevitt will bring more information on purchasing the ramp.

VI. Editor's Report (D. Wells)

There was discussion of the need for stories and pictures for the next newsletter.

VII. Curator's Report (M. Forster)

The pictures for the digitization project have been returned by N. Cloutier. N. Cloutier presented a bill for paper and toner related to the project.

VIII. Registrar's Report (E. Winegarner)

E. Winegarner reported that she is currently working on data entry for the photo digitization project.

IX. Webmaster/Genealogist Report (B. Ruby)

The website has been updated with new hours, newsletters and minutes. There was discussion over adding a way to make donations through Paypal. B. Ruby will look into the matter.

X. President's Report (H. Foley)

H. Foley explained that the crack in the foundation of the museum must be repaired. This will cost \$1,350 to remove the chimney before the foundation can be repaired and \$10,000 to repair the crack. Gwen Brown (Basement, Cracks & Leaks) has volunteered labor and materials to fix the crack as a tax deductible donation. The project will begin in July. M. Foley motioned for approval to conduct the repairs. Seconded. Approved. There was some discussion of selling the bricks from the chimney as a fund raiser.

H. Foley reported that the society had received an \$8,000 donation from Sharon Hillquist, including funds to replace the front door. There is a possibility that Ms. Hillquist will support the external painting of the museum this summer.

H. Foley asked for volunteers to gather information on volunteer programs sponsored by Home Depot (internal painting of upstairs) and Best Western (donation of old sheets to be used as covers). M. Melville (Home Depot) and B. McDevitt (Best Western) volunteered.

XI. New Business

There was discussion of the Ice Cream Social, scheduled for Saturday July 20, 1-3pm. D. Wells volunteered to make a batch but needs help in making the ice cream. Tom Parshall shall serve ice cream at the event.

There was a discussion regarding the need docents, providing work and the scheduling for docents. After some discussion, H. Foley asked the board to bring ideas for the February fund raising event to the next meeting.

H. Foley thanked B. Krueger for arranging the school tours which were conducted over a period of four days. \$522 in donations was made. She also indicated that 20 members of the Highland Senior Society had visited the museum. Over 200 people visited the museum during Memorial Day and the society received first prize for its float in the Memorial Day Parade.

H. Foley thanked N. Cloutier for the work related to the photo digitization project.

B. McDevitt will open the museum during the outdoor concerts at Croma Library this summer. Other volunteers would be appreciated.

There was some discussion of the shelving project in the pump room.

N. Cloutier suggested the society place publicity items in Community Life. There is no charge provided the event itself does not have an admission fee. The deadline for the next issue is July 15.

B. McDevitt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.