

Minutes of the Falmouth Historical Society Board Meeting
Falmouth Heritage Museum
December 5, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.

Present were David Farnham (president and treasurer), Sue Farnham (secretary), Rich Meserve, Erin Cadigan, Fred Howe, and Betsy Jo Whitcomb (directors)

Minutes from the November board meeting were reviewed, amended, and approved.

Treasurer's Report. Our financial status is essentially unchanged since last month, with a balance of \$10,648.54 in our operating accounts and \$31,990.56 with the foundation.

Secretary's report. There are no changes in our membership. We did not send out the renewal mailing last month, but expect to do this, with postage paid return envelopes included, before January 1.

Old Business.

Replacement sign. Sue will contact Donna Lee about applying for a grant from the Lions Club to help pay for the sign.

David, Sue, and Betsy Jo manned a table for the Historical Society at Ocean State Job Lots on November 18th.

Tercentennial activities.

- The "Story of Falmouth" traveling exhibit is looking for locations to set up over the next year. One possibility is the History Museum barn. They may also be able to set up a tent exhibit at Town Hall.
- Rich will be representing the Historical Society at the "Dinner on the Coast" meeting tomorrow.
- Ideas for the February lecturer: "Creating Portland" author Joseph Conforti; Zak Bennett, Rutgers PhD candidate with expertise in Native American and Colonial history. Erin will work on securing a speaker.

Museum Renovations. Rich will check on the status of the Boy Scout project to replace the ramp.

New Business

Pricing for services. Sue will research on what other societies are charging in relation to purpose/use including the Maine Historical Society, Penobscot Marine Museum, and nearby town historical societies.

Backup coverage for officers and goals for 2018. Deferred until January.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.