Falmouth Historical Society Minutes

May 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

Treasurer's report

Currently we are under the projected budget.

We have \$3,300 budgeted but not expensed:

- 1. \$600 for Information Services (ArchiveIT) in January
- 2. \$1,500 for insurance bill in April
- 3. \$1,200 for Maintenance (new sign) in April

\$1800 (not \$1400 as previously reported) was transferred from savings.

The Sock Hop was awarded a \$1,000 grant. We spent an additional \$400. (David will look for the record. If no record can be found, Erin will ask Melissa for the record.)

We received \$58 from Hannaford for recyclable bag purchases, and \$500 from the Lions' club to go towards the purchase of the new sign. Betsy will order the sign.

We can get a discount for Archive IT.

Our budget is tracking reasonably close to expenses.

Secretary's report

The April minutes were approved.

There have been no changes in membership.

Old business

Boy Scout Project/replacement of entrance stairs and ramp: Max has taken measurements. We cannot locate any older plans. He will likely spend the spring doing legwork, and construction will be in the fall. He will need a building permit.

Maintenance – the inner bulkhead door has been installed.

Heat pump – is fixed. We have not yet received the bill.

Cumberland Wood Bank declined the downed trees. Do we know anyone with a chainsaw and some time?

The Wabanaki talk went well. The next talk is the 17th at Falmouth by the Sea.

Dinner on the Coast. – ordinance and state law does not allow alcohol on a public street. Nathan is looking for a way around this – perhaps an amendment?

May 26 is the Old Home Days and Falmouth Festival. We need staffing. We are responsible for providing an awning, table, and chairs. We need to be there between 8:30-9 AM, rain or shine. Wear period costumes if possible!

We also need people to walk in the parade on Monday the 28th. Rick will be driving his 1940's truck. Rich will not be available. We need to be at the lineup by 9:30 AM. We will carry the banner.

Cataloging – Ron is organizing the information. We need to go thru the materials we want to catalog and organize.

Rich – the Tall Ships people will take the ship. Sue will reach out to the woman who offered it.

Sue will follow up on the girl scout dolls.

New Business

Winsome Montessori school (on Field Road) would like someone to come and talk about Falmouth History (May-June). To engage the kids, we could take the approach of "who were your neighbors", and bring slates and chalk, toys such as Jacob's ladders, ball and cup, stilts, hoop and stick, etc. It's a nice idea for getting a grant for a few hundred dollars to buy toys, games, and supplies needed to do this.

David would like to migrate the finances off *Quickbooks Online* to the desktop version of *Quickbooks* as it would cost less and it would allow us to do some things that we cannot do on the online version. This is the way we originally started doing our bookkeeping; however, it has now become more expensive.

The election is June 12 - we will have a table. Betsy is not sure if it will be inside or out. We will need staffing. Betsy will be working for the town all day, and Sue will be working for the election from 2 - 8:30 PM.

Ron reports that we need ink cartridges for the printer. Rick has some and will see if they are compatible.

Rick – would do a postcard drawing for us that we can then use as a fundraiser. He can do some of the historic buildings, or the barn with the firetruck out in front.

Firetruck – Fire chief Howard Rice said that it will need to go on flatbed truck for display. It last ran 3-4 years ago. Eric Anderson has had experience with the truck, along with Betsy's husband.

Pine Tree Club- meets at Skilllins

We may be open on the day of the Lions' Club auction. Can anyone join Betsy?

Falmouth Community Day with the Portland Seadogs at Hadlock Field is May 12. The proceeds will benefit Falmouth Little League and the Falmouth Elementary School PTO.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne Farnham