

GREENSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting of June 14, 2016 at Greensboro Free Library

Attending: Willie Smith Presiding, Nancy Hill, Clive Gray, BJ Gray, Jenny Stoner, Martha Niemi, Erika Karp, Janet Long, Gail Sangree, Clay Simpson, Kyle Gray, Lily McAteer, Cathie Wilkinson

Willie Smith called the meeting to order at 11:05 am. She passed around some pictures that Andy Dales donated for exhibit. He also donated a Winner's Board and cap from the sailboat races. These will be part of the water exhibit in the Recreational Use of Water section.

Willie also announced the Jun 13 death of George Bickford who was a long time member of GHS.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the meeting of May 10 were accepted as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Clive noted that our balance is currently low but dues are starting to come in. GHS did receive a \$2014 grant from the Pleasants Fund which helped to fund the steps being taken to improve the environmental control of the archive room and all the artifacts. Gina submitted a grant request to the Greensboro Association for scanning files. Many requests were submitted this year. No action has been taken as yet

Building: Have been cleaning all the shelves and everything including artifacts are being vacuumed. The humidifier died and water flooded all the section of the archive room around it. Paul Davidson of PD Restoration used fans and a shop vac to dry the carpeting. Now we are getting an air conditioner which will also pump water out. Will have to see if that works.

Newsletter: Jenny reported that she appreciated everyone getting articles submitted in a timely manner which facilitated getting the newsletter mailed out in a timely manner. There were some changes needed in the calendar but these have been updated on computer and other publications. The opening reception of the Exhibit is Saturday, June 25, Penar Seminar is at 2PM Aug 4 in the Library and Tim Breen's seminar is at the Library, not Fellowship Hall.

Hazen Road Dispatch: Gail reported that the new edition is out and ready for sale at \$7.00. The group supported Gail's request that the HRD be copyrighted annually with GHS as the copyright holder. It will cost \$7.00/year. The 40th Edition is copyrighted.

Exhibit Opening: With the reception scheduled for Sat, June 25 there is only one more week to complete the exhibit and tidy up the Hill Exhibit. HELP NEEDED! The exhibit will open on its summer schedule on Sat, Jun 2 the day of the parade. All open hours are covered by volunteer docents. Thank You. Posters and postings are needed for exhibit opening reception, exhibit hours and summer programs. BJ was asked to work on posters. Kyle and Lily are both contributing to on-line notices. Kyle is working on setting up a simulation of the sound of the ice moving and breaking up.

Acquisitions: Kyle is installing a new computer and will be transferring files on to it. The newsletter is now on the Web Page.

Tunbridge VT History Exhibition- Every is organized for setting up, manning and taking down the GHS Exhibit thanks to Gina. Booth tenders have their tickets and schedules.

Nominating Committee- A committee is needed to find nominees for the two Trustee positions up for election. Erika and Janet reluctantly agreed to do this. Suggested as nominees were Barbara Brooke and Lily McAteer.

Annual Meeting and Program: Allen Davis has been asked to serve as moderator for the “Old China Hands” panel Clay Simpson is organizing for Aug 8th at 7:30pm, Fellowship Hall.

Research- Cathie reported on communication with a descendant of Samuel Hill. She sent him info he was looking for and he sent us copies of original letters and transcriptions between Samuel Hill and his wife during the Civil War. They will go into our archives.

Other Business: Cathie reported that we seriously need new letterhead stationary as well as note card envelopes. It was also agreed that we need a more up to date picture or drawing of the GHS building on all our letterheads, newsletters etc. Gina did purchase notecard envelopes that match the notecards.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm. There will be no July meeting. Next meeting will be the Annual Meeting, Aug 8 at Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Cathie Wilkinson for Gina Jenkins