Greensboro Historical Society Annual Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 8, 2018, 12:30PM, Greensboro Free Library

In attendance: Willie Smith, Janet Long, Jenny Stoner, Paula Harmon, Clive Gray, Erika Karp, BJ Gray, Lise Armstrong, Lynette Courtney, Nancy Hill, Kyle Gray, Barbara Brooke

Willie called the meeting to order.

History Moment: Willie read an account of how we acquired the Civil War Drum. Paula will provide the history moment at the February meeting.

President's Report: Willie thanked the Halloween porch sitters: Paula, BJ and Kyle for helping to make the Halloween walk-about a success.

She also thanked the estate of Trudy Osterhout for the \$4,000.00 donation to GHS and suggested that we consider enclosing a brochure in our next newsletter encouraging donations in one's will.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's report, prepared by Erika and Nancy, it was accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: The group reviewed Clive's budget. Willie moved that the budgeted amount of \$5000 for archiving be increased to \$5500. Nancy will follow up on finding out if we have a service contract with Fred's. Lise is in the process of transferring the budget from EXCEL to QuickBooks and did not have a current report. The vote on the budget was deferred util the February meeting.

Wilie thanked Clive for his many years of serving as treasurer.

General Business:

The League of Local Historical Societies issued an award recognizing the GHS web site. Thank you to Kyle, Gina and Tom.

BJ will ask Rick Walsh about building a cover for the rinnai exhaust fan.

We all need to think about the Spring GHS newsletter.

There was a general discussion about the summer exhibit, we need an exhibit designer and organizer.

Ideas discussed included a rail road exhibit, transportation, early vehicles, the rail road station in the bend. Lynette suggested that her friend, Frank J. Barrett Jr., an architect, might be a resource we could consider using in planning our exhibit, whether it be on buildings or railroads.

Regarding the winter meeting, Steve Perkins will be available on the second Sunday in March, on the 10th. We will need to organize refreshments.

As for the summer meeting, Bobby Ferlice-Rubio could give a presentation about how indigenous people lived. This would be for the first Monday in August, on the 5th.

Regarding the HRD, we need someone to work with Gail and Wiz on the Bailey-Hazen walk next June. Nancy will meet with Gail on Sunday to discuss this matter.

Willie gave an overview of acquisition steps.

Other Business:

There was discussion of the need for historic signs in Greensboro. This idea may need a committee; Nancy and Leslie will think about it.

Kyle needs to have a scanning party to expedite the documentation process on the web site. He also asked for seasonal news bulletins from the Vermont Historical Society to post on Facebook.

The editor of the Hardwick Gazette is interested in having a monthly Greensboro column perhaps highlighting various groups in town.

The Recreation Committed is considering placing memorial benches throughout the town.

Thanks to Nancy and Clive for hosting another fabulous Christmas party.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 12, 12:30pm at the Greensboro Free Library