

Waterbury Historical Society Board Meeting

October 19, 2021

Present: President, Cheryl Casey, Jane and Paul Willard, Jan Gendreau, Betty Jones, Anne Imhoff, Bill Woodruff, Jim Walton and Grace Sweet
Guest: Katie Martin

Minutes of September 21, 2021: Paul Moved to accept, Jim 2nd. Approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Willard - 226 members Capital Campaign - \$30,779.58, T. Rowe Price - \$116,763.39 and Checking - \$44,268.90 for a total of \$191,811.87. Paul presented a proposed budget for the year beginning Jan. 1, 2022. Jim voted to approve both the financial report and the proposed budget. Grace 2nd. Approved. The cost for the two units of Sir Richard's climate-controlled storage may increase from \$85 per month to \$125. Barbara Woodard has offered to write the increase off if we would write a letter recognizing their gift of a \$600 donation. Paul will write the letter.

Program: Betty Jones – October 27 – the Annual Meeting in the Steele Room at 7:00 followed by a Vermont Humanities program on Women in the Civil War presented by Howard Coffin. The cost is \$185. Bill will open the room at 6:00 to allow time for setting up the chairs. Cheryl will bring books for sale. Josette Metayer White will do the registration. There will be an audience survey to be filled out following the program.

January: Don Fields and the Pony Boys with Skip Flanders and Jack Donovan from WDEV.

April: TBA July: 40th Army band perhaps in the Elementary School

Outreach Committee: Jane – October 15 – Foliage tour for Seniors of back roads of Waterbury. Bill Woodruff drove the rec van, Skip Flanders, Margo Sayah, Jane and Grace told about various places of interest relying on Jack Carter's notes from a 2004 bus trip. Nine Seniors enjoyed the ride. The van is not easily accessible. Albert Caron paid the \$50.00 fee for the van. The November 19 outing will be to the History Center. In Dec. we will carol at the Senior Center. Transportation is the responsibility of the Senior Center.

New Book: Jane – the book is ready for printing at the History Press – 180 pages, 400 books will come to WHS. They will sell for \$21.99 per book, we pay half price. The History Press will distribute the books to other vendors, we will get 8% of those sales. The books may arrive in late January, so thinking a Valentine's Day Launch party. There is money that has already been budgeted for Elena Billodeau to prepare a digitized version. This will allow a web link to historical sites, color photos and an appendix.

Nominating Committee: Jim and Bill – Secretary, Grace Sweet; V.P., Jill Chase. Members at Large – Anne Imhoff to complete Jack's term through 2023 and Jan whose term is up this year. Bill Woodruff's term runs through 2022. Jim would also be a member at large. Bill will ask Jane Tuscani if she would like to join the program committee. Jan is already on the accession, deaccession committee and does the Ghost Walk so Curator is another large task – who would be a good candidate? Jane and Jan will meet with Joe and Lorraine Cammaratta to see if they might be interested in joining the board.

Other: Kay Schlueter may be able to meet with us in December in re: to Past Perfect.

The League of Local Historical Societies and Museums will have a conference at the History Museum in Montpelier on Saturday. October 30. Registration from 8:45-9:30. Go on-line to register.

Security camera in the History Center needs to be fixed by ProTech. Paul will make the connection.

Paul will arrange to purchase a new computer for the office from Bob Butler.

Proposal from Theresa Wood and Barbara Farr?

Visit with LeeAnn and Sandy in re: to Past Perfect?

Newsletter: Cheryl – late, but info has been posted on face book re: the program on October 27. Posters have been distributed and notice will be on Front Porch Forum.

Notes by Grace Sweet

Next meeting: November 16 at 4:30 in the Steele Room