

The Willington Historical Society  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Call to Order: The meeting was held at the Glazier Tavern. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Masinda at 2:38 pm

Members present: Mark Masinda, Sue Schur, Shari Masinda, Julie Engelke, Betty Robertson, Donna Caplette, Bob Shabot, J. Taraskiewicz.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve July minutes with corrections to change \$1400 to \$1350 and "front door" should be designated as "Back Center door." Motion to approve B. Robertson, seconded J. Engelke, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Investments have increased. 46 donations to date from mailing. Discussion to keep grant account open/active after \$1667 in expenses have been paid. Motion to approve, S. Masinda, D. Caplette seconds, approved.

WHS accepted donations of items from J. Buell. B. Shabot presented old hearth broom and plaque of "Built by Miner Grant 1805" to match others in historical district.

**Old Business**

Ruby Road property has been posted online July 28 and signs are up.

Flea Market: Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, mailing postcards should be available. Tavern will be open, anticipate visit from Tammy Nuccio, State Rep. Phil Monty (Veterans organization) has requested that the cemetery books are available for sale.

Grant discussion: New CT Humanities grants have not yet been published, Nov. opens continuation grant. Oct. will open application for museums and assessments. Anticipate 2 grants from town, one for \$15,000 has been confirmed.

Joan Taraskiewicz, representing Friends of Willington Library, has mentioned that plans are ongoing for the Library anniversary and funds have been designated for activities. Oldest reference to library is 1823, seeking funding raising ideas like a raffle.

**New Business**

J. Engelke has been in contact with speakers for annual meeting to be held at the Town Office Bldg. returning to evening schedule.

Newsletter discussion on content/length. Finalize after Labor Day. Article ideas include work on Tavern and grant funding.

B. Shabot has received correspondence from Old Sturbridge Village, regarding the "Hannah Moore Letter" about an 1860's missionary. OSV has held the original used for past research. Discussion regarding OSV holding the original in archival storage permanently. S. Schur motion to approve, R. Shabot seconds, motion approved. R. Shabot also mentions Glazier family silhouettes.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Sept. 20, 2022 @ 6:30 pm at the Town Office Building.  
Presentation to begin at 7 pm.

Meeting adjourned 4:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Masinda

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