



MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
Minutes of Meeting  
Town Clerk's Office, Montgomery Center  
Wednesday, April 15, 2009 @ 5:30 PM

THESE ARE THE UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

Board Members and Members Present:

Scott Perry, Bill McGroarty, Sue Wilson, Marijke Dollois, Pat Farmer, Jo Anne Bennett

Scott Perry called the Meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

**Recognition of visitors:**

None

1. **Minutes of 03/18/09:**

Sue made a Motion, seconded by Pat to approve the Minutes of 03/18/09; Motion was unanimously approved.

2. **Treasurer's Report:**

Marijke made a Motion, seconded by Bill to approve the Treasurer's Reports of 03/11/09 and 04/15/09; the Motion was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report of 03/11/09:**

Checking Account	\$ 3,298.99
Lalia Pratt Hays Scholarship CD	578.01
Capital Improvement CD	1,881.15
Stained Glass Window Fund CD	5,611.73
Line of Credit balance	\$16,760.00

**Treasurer's Report of 04/15/09:**

Checking Account	\$ 7,149.14
Lalia Pratt Hays Scholarship CD	579.36
Capital Improvement CD	1,883.93
Stained Glass Window Fund CD	5,627.65
Line of Credit balance	\$16,520.00

3. **Membership Update:**

Marijke reported that 101 memberships had been received for a total of \$4,870.00; this includes 8 new members.

4. **Old Business:**

A. Pratt Hall/Heaton House –Bug treatment will take place on June 20th. The cost should be between \$500 and \$800.

The clock works but is running about 10 minutes slow.

B. Stained Glass Windows Cards – no significant change in sales/income.

C. Budget for 2009 – Scott and Sue prepared a more detailed budget for 2009 which will be updated on a quarterly basis and the Board reviewed income and expenses for the first quarter of 2009.

D. Things to keep on the radar scope:

- New Board members / Nominees – no action
- Butler Decorative Cloth – no action
- Marion Towle Project – no action
- Old Maps Project – no action
- Archives and Accessioning – no action
- 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2009 – no action
- Grant writing – Scott corrected an earlier email regarding possible Federal Stimulus grants for Pratt Hall preservation. While we were the top ranked project on Jan Lewandowski's list provided to the Vermont Historical Trust & the Vermont Dept. of Historical Preservation, there is no ranking on the list held by these agencies/organizations. Rather they have compiled a list of 27 million dollars of possible projects, should funding become available. At present there is no stimulus money available specifically for historic preservation. The MHS could be eligible for USDA grants however, these are again matching/reimbursement programs. Scott will contact Sen. Leahy's office for other ideas.
- Stage reconstruction – the parts will be removed from the basement on "Spruce up date" (see below) to make an effort to put the stage together in time for the Annual Meeting.

E. Concerts – Steve has suggested the following dates – July 18, August 1 and August 15; no programs are in place yet.

F. Dates to remember –

- May 25<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day – 10 AM Village Cemetery; suggestions were made for speakers, one them being Doug DeVries; Scott and Sue to follow up.
- June 19<sup>th</sup> – Annual Meeting
- August 21 & 22 – Art Show

## 5. **New Business:**

A. Spruce up date – May 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM; yard work and stage assembly

B. Coy Memorial – April 25<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 AM – Marijke will be coordinator

C. TD Bank Affinity Membership Program (AMP) – Scott distributed a proposed letter to be sent to our membership via mail and e-mail. TD Banknorth will make an annual donation (minimum \$500) to the Society if at 25% of our membership are account holders and will designate the MHS as their AMP partner. Marijke made a Motion to participate in the TD Banknorth AMP; the Motion was seconded by Bill and unanimously approved.

D. Scott distributed a copy of the April Newsletter for the membership.

E. Elders Night III – Sally is interested in organizing another Elders Night to take place sometime in the Fall – no action

## 6. **Adjourn:**

Bill moved and Pat seconded a motion to adjourn at 6:55 P.M. Said motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at Pratt Hall .

Respectfully submitted,  
Marijke M. Dollois