

Board of Directors Meeting  
Falmouth Historical Society  
Whipple Farm House  
September 17, 2013

Present: Scott McLeod, Betsy Jo Whitcomb, Fred Howe, Janice Delima, Pat Halpin, Diane Howe, Andi Jackson-Darling, Mark Stevanovic, and Carol Kauffman.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

The Secretary's report of July 30, 2013 was read and accepted as corrected.

President's report: Scott talked about the Project 2018 and meeting with Diane, Fred, Betsy and Justin Brown, Falmouth's Code Enforcement Officer at the Woods Rd. Museum recently and going over the possibilities for expansion. Justin told us that we should not use the second floor of the existing building for public use. He will do some research and get back to us on what we can and cannot do according to town ordinances.

Treasurer's report: Fred passed out the report and after some questions, it will be put on file.

Mark talked about the proposed budget. He stressed the following points:

- The need to give back to members via a newsletter and website
- The need to focus on getting grants
- The need for insurance for our Directors
- The need to replenish merchandise to sell
- The need to grow our membership in order to pay our expenses

After discussion and adjustments to the budget we were given, Andi moved and Diane seconded a motion to accept the budget with the adjustment of removing the reimbursement from Ocean View for the newsletter and increasing the telecommunication item. The budget was approved.

Carol moved and Pat seconded a motion to accept with regret the resignations of Al Morrison and Maytha Southard as members of the Board. Betsy will send them notes of Thank You for their service.

There was then a discussion of naming a Nominating Committee and discussion of who of the membership might be eligible and willing to serve on the Board. Andi will ask Carl Barker, Colleen Donovan, and Jan Andrews to be members of the committee. Scott will send out letters to prospective members and the committee will follow up with phone calls. The committee will report to the Board by the 25<sup>th</sup> of September and the Board will use an email vote to accept the report of the Nominating Committee.

Carol Kauffman requested that the Falmouth Historical Society's help to preserve the identification of the Iverson house in the new proposed library design. During the discussion, it was pointed out that this house is one of the houses in Falmouth with historical value and the Society should be trying to help preserve it in some way. Scott will draft a letter to be sent to the library building committee.

Carol read the SOLVE invitation to the fall meeting to be held October 12<sup>th</sup> in Waterboro. This is an organization made up of members of the historical societies in the general greater Portland area and she pointed out that it is a good way for the historical societies to exchange ideas to keep us all going more successfully. She urged the members of the Board to consider attending this twice-a-year meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Jo Whitcomb, Secretary

Minutes approved as read \_\_\_\_\_ as corrected \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_