

# Hartland Area Historical Society

Board Meeting • Monday, March 8, 2010

**Board Members Present:** Shyrl Cone, Hildy Foley, Mike Forster, Janet Frick, Tom Parshall, Diana Wells. **Registrar:** Emma Winegarner

**Absent:** Tami Cain, Scott Kulsavage, Carolyn Lynch

## I. **Introductions**

There were no new people present to be introduced. The meeting was called to order by President Tom Parshall at 7:30.

## II. **Approval of minutes from** (date goes here) **meeting.**

Hildy Foley made a motion that the minutes be approved with corrections and Mike Forster seconded. The motion carried.

## III. **Treasurer's Report**

February 28, 2010: See Report for itemizations and details

Cash balance February 28, 2010	\$24,705.26	Total Gala 10 Income	7,200.00
Certificates of Deposit	\$18,824.00	Total Gala 10 Expenses	4,667.88
Total Financial Assets, February 28, 2010	\$43,529.26	Overall Gala Total	1,852.12

The treasurer's report was accepted in a motion by Hildy Foley, seconded by Diana Wells. The motion carried.

## IV. **Collection Committee Report**

Nadine Cloutier and Emma Winegarner continue working on the museum collections, preparatory to move into renovated museum. They spend several hours at least two days per month separating items in the collections and tagging them preparatory to the move to the museum. Emma and Nadine would like to have a special meeting to decide how to design the exhibits and what cases to use for display in the renovated museum. Some display cases are part of the collections themselves as they came from historic Hartland stores, i.e. from Sardis Campbell's store and others. Large objects, now upstairs, will need to come down. Nadine and Emma will ask for help after they have done the sorting. Some items have not been acquisitioned in. They are deciding what to do with some of the items, and are considering setting up educational boxes of items which can be handled. There will be a number of clothing items. In the past clothing exhibits have been very popular.

## V. **Museum Renovations Update**

The drywall installation is almost complete. Next month the furnace will be turned on. Taping and sanding will be done. Painting should begin in about a month when it is warmer. At the end of April Hildy will begin getting the Postal part of the museum ready. A lot will be done in April, the electrical fixtures, alarm and cameras and the floor person, as soon as the drywalls are done

## VI. **Nominating Committee Selection**

Emma Winegarner, Nadine Cloutier, and Phil MacBride will participate on the nominating Committee for upcoming nomination of trustees whose positions will be open.

## VII. **Magical History Tour Results**

See Treasurer's report

## VIII. **Cluster meeting representative**

Nadine was elected by the Board.

A statement was made that Emma and Nadine usually attended the cluster meetings and that there would be one soon.

## IX. **Board Comment**

Janet Frick will send thank you notes for donations to the Gala. Pork and corn will be sold at the Memorial Day parade and celebration. The Postal truck will be parked at the museum after the parade. The museum grand opening is slated for sometime after Memorial Day in

July or August in conjunction with or instead of the ice-cream social. Barbara Krueger has set up a historic town walk for May 24 and Hildy will have the Postal museum open that day. The walk will be for a class of school-children. President Tom Parshall spoke of having a pre-grand opening for primary contributors to the museum renovation. Tom Parshall spoke of presently needing specification for digital archives/storage on usb drives, for the collection's committee, so that worthy items could be guaranteed many years survival and then as new technology becomes available it would be moved to that. A discussion ensued about the value of digital vs. and/or in addition to hard copies. Emma stated that all cemetery records would soon be scanned by the township. The collections contain communion sets from the Methodist Church, Congregational Church and from the Parshallville Baptist Church. Tom Parshall has a picture of his father with J. Edgar Hoover, signed and with a letter for the collection's committee. Emma stated that if a lot of items were to be scanned that an overhead scanner would be needed, that they are pricey and wondered if anyone had one the historical society could use. Or-a tripod, with 10 megapixels camera could be used, according to President Parshall. Other ideas were also discussed. Emma spoke of a consortium of around 16 colleges around the state with U. of Michigan hosting with their server of over 400 Michigan County History books including the 1880 History of Livingston County that you can search online. They would have used multiple overhead scanning devices.

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**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 in a motion by Hildy Foley, supported by Tom Parshall. The Motion carried.

XI.

**Museum Tour for Board**

New dry-wall was inspected and plans for painting and display ideas were discussed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
JANET FRICK, Secretary

**Documents distributed to the Board for/at this meeting**

Treasurer's Report/Budget (Shyrl Cone)

**Next Meeting:** April 12, 2010 Tom's Barn