



PERINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

18 PERRIN STREET
FAIRPORT, NEW YORK 14450

Board Meeting Minutes: April 17, 2007

<p><u>ATTENDING</u> Alliger, Joan Barry, William Davis-Fritsch, Doris Jongen, John Keeler, William King, Clark Lewis, T.C.</p>	<p>Ortenberg, Reuben Thomson, Mary Unckless, Jim Winner, Scott Wild, David</p>	<p><u>NOT ATTENDING</u> McDonough, Bernadette McDonough, Peter</p>
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BOARD MEETINGS

The Board approved the minutes of its meeting on January 23, 2007 with the following changes: Clark's grand-daughter is a precocious museum visitor, not precautious (the auto-spell check got me there); Ken Moore's title is Village Administrator, not Village Supervisor; and he did not 'agree to insure' the Museum building but expects the Village insurer will; and snow removal at the Museum will be discussed in the fall 2007. The **next special Board meeting** is scheduled on **Saturday, May 12, 2007, 9:00 AM.**

LEADERSHIP

Clark King called the meeting to order. He introduced the first of our two guests, Scott Winner, Director of the Fairport Village Partnership. Scott said that he wants to promote a mutual relationship with PHS in the interest of keeping Fairport 'front-porch friendly', i.e. a Fairport that is a great place to live, work, visit and invest in. FVP's mission is **"To leverage the unique canal and historic character of Fairport to stimulate economic growth, preserve our heritage and encourage a diversity of uses to serve residents, businesses and visitors."** He explained what the FVP does, and what it has achieved recently. Its principal partners are Fairport Village Government, the Office of Community and Economic Development, the Fairport and Perinton Merchants Association and the Fairport Municipal Commission. To support its mission FVP writes grant requests, like a current Heritage Corridor grant application that could total \$26K with matching funds. FVP has again scheduled its 'Spring Fling' Benefit Dinner and Dance next month at the Green Lantern Inn. To stimulate tourism to our area Scott works with sister organizations like the **Greater Rochester Area Visitors Association.** John Jongen offered to provide Scott with a PHS promotional flyer that he produced for the GRVA and for the travel agents' 'familiarization tours' Fairport album.

John Jongen introduced Doris Davis-Fritsch, as candidate for the Board Secretary position vacated by John. Once Doris accepted the nomination the Board agreed to present the following slate of candidates to the membership for a vote at its May 15th picnic: Bill Keeler, Museum Director, Bill Barry, Trustee, Joan Alliger, Trustee, Clark King, President, and Doris Davis-Fritsch Board Secretary

Clark King reported that Phil Yawman has agreed to facilitate a special session on Saturday May 12 at 9 -10:30 AM to begin the process of clarifying and updating our PHS

mission, vision, and objectives with an eye to better assign responsibilities to board members and volunteers. John Jongen distributed a list of proposed definitions to be used as a template to facilitate that discussion. Board members agreed with the definitions except for one addition of 'strategy', suggested by Bill Barry.

MUSEUM & COLLECTION

Bill Keeler reported on acquisition of two historic items for the Museum. They were advertising images of an egg and chicken hatchery in, what is today, the RVE Bicycle shop on Main Street. The hatchery was in operation there from 1920-1941. Bill also said that he and other volunteers are re-working the 4th grade program.

Clark King brought in a hand-written note from his 8 year old grand-daughter Kelci Sherman that expressed her appreciation for the Museum exhibit that she visited during our Open House of the new exhibits. She said in part that 'I learned that they used to deliver milk to houses'. (How time flies!).

The Fairport Baptist Church sent a letter of appreciation for contributing our time and material support to its Fairport Baptist Church Restoration Benefit Auction held on March 24, and acknowledged our donation of a 1920s map of Monroe County to the auction. The event raised some \$3600 toward necessary roof repairs.

FINANCE

Treasurer May Thomson summarized our financial position. With the transfer of \$10K the RACF (Community Fund) is now at \$77,767. May proposed that the Board approve the roll-over of one CD valued at \$8000; the Board agreed.

HOUSE TOUR

Bill Barry and John Jongen gave updates on the status of House Tour 2007. They discovered that there were only a few membership applications left. Jim Unckless responded by printing up a special edition of the application using his home printer. Hats off to Jim for his quick response. Aside from some frustration Bill is experienced with scheduling volunteers for the walk-thru the tour is proceeding as planned. Joan Alliger is finding experiencing resistance from the various media to publish our publicity campaign in a timely manner. Pat May has distributed the tickets and envelopes for sale by the merchants, the library and Fairport and Perinton halls.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Jim Unckless gave an update of the status of the proposed Fairport Historic Preservation ordinance. The Village Preservation Committee published an information brochure 'What is Historic Preservation?'. It is in Q&A format and addresses questions Fairport residents may have regarding the proposed code. A public information meeting is scheduled on Monday, April 23, 2007 at 7:30 PM at the Fairport Municipal Operations Center, 43 Liftbridge Lane East. At this point a final public hearing is planned on May 14, followed by a vote to enact the Fairport's Historic Preservation ordinance into law.

Respectfully submitted by John Jongen, April 21, 2007