



PERINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

18 PERRIN STREET
FAIRPORT, NEW YORK 14450

PHS Board Meeting: September 18, 2007

<u>Attending:</u>	<u>Not Attending:</u>	<u>Guests:</u>
Alliger, Joan Bill Barry Davis-Fritsch, Doris Jongen, John Keeler, William King, Clark Lewis, T.C. Thomson, May Unckless, Jim Wild, David	McDonough, Bernadette	Craig Delancey

The meeting was called to order by Clark. TC made the motion to approve the meeting notes from August 21, 2007. David seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Capital Improvement Grant: Clark spoke to Ken Moore, Fairport Village Administrator about the grant announced by David Koon for capital improvements (light fixtures and roofing, etc.). He reported that it was making the appropriate progress in the Assembly. TC also spoke with John Joye from David Koon's office. It was determined that the PHS should move forward with the work needed as outlined in the plan, i.e. \$16,000 for lights(emergency lights downstairs?), \$30,000 for a new roof, new door locks, etc. Some discussion on the process, apparently the \$'s need to be spent on budget items proposed in the application and there is a timeframe to adhere to and paper work for checks and balances.

Baptist Church Fundraiser: The September 23rd concert sponsored by the Community Baptist Church (E. Church St.) is to raise funds for the First Baptist Church. Clark wanted everyone to be aware that funds are not necessarily earmarked for restoration or renovation.

New Board Members: Clark passed around an article about recruiting young professionals in the Rochester community. The article was by Jessie Wood of the Rochester Business Alliance.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT:

The program that was held on Tuesday, Sept 11th about "Rochester Industry During WW II", presented by Bob Maracotte—was very well attended. It was estimated that over 75 were in attendance. The only caveat was that we had an abundance of refreshments which was very much appreciated. It was suggested that a volunteer be recruited to be in charge of refreshments for the programs. Bill will mention this volunteer need in the newsletter. The next program is Tuesday, Oct 9th "A Light Hearted Look at Outhouses", presented by Carolyn Adriannen—which will be held at the Community Center. Since our meeting Clark has confirmed the arrangements for the November 13th program which is "Roseland: Playground of the Finger Lakes" presented by Lynda McCurdy Hotra & Sherman Farnham. This will also be held at the Community Center.

TREASURER REPORT:

Rochester Area Foundation: May received the receipt for the \$3000 that was deposited. Because our endowment fund is managed by RAF we received an invitation to join The Community Foundation. If anyone is interested you can contact the Rochester Area Community Foundation at www.racf.org.

Annual Financial Audit: May provided financial report/cash flow statement showing an income of \$29,079.16. The total amount in funds, checking, and money market totals \$101,590.54. See attached report. TC will do an income and loss statement for the year. (the fiscal year ends Oct. 31st)

Federal Tax Reporting/Tax Exempt: Jim reviewed requirements. There was discussion around using short vs. long form since we are over the \$100,000 limit for the short form, but it was determined that the income can be spread out over three years.

Budget 2007-2008: The proposed budget was presented by Clark. It basically reflected last years' income and expenses. Discussion on whether the budget was unduly tight for things like the House Tour, but was felt to be realistic. Doris suggested however that that there was no line item for any new purchases or projects that we might like to do next year. Several items were proposed; technical equipment for projection and software applications were among the ideas. Motion was made to add of \$1400 to the budget by TC for possible new undertaking by the PHS. This was seconded by John. All were in favor. Motion was made to approve the revised budget was made by Jim. David seconded the motion and all were in favor.

SECRETARY:

Doris provided an updated contact list of the board members as well as creating a new calendar to help keep track of all major PHS activities.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Joan is working on promoting the upcoming programs. The new committee formed at the last meeting to look at publications will meet within the month and have a report for the October meeting.

MUSEUM REPORT:

Artifacts: New items have been received/or purchased by the Museum among them are; trophy, basketball championship poster, Temple Theatre items, a photo card of a resident named Woolsey and Fairport postmarked envelope. Also, for use by those researching architectural history and building styles he has purchased "The Field Guide to the American House".

Fairport History Club: Bill made arrangements and hosted the FHC meeting at the Museum in Sept.

Historigram: Fred Rufer's grandson called and was very interested and pleased with the article in the newsletter. Clark would like to have an article in each issue to talk about what the board is doing. Bill B. volunteered to help with writing.

General: Bill would like to assemble job descriptions or how to tutorials from each committee chair so that when a new person volunteers to help they will have the past volunteers expertise to follow.

MEMBERSHIP:

Memberships are still coming in. We have about 300 which is the same as last year at about this time. About 250 have not renewed. Last month the Historigram went out to all even those who did not renew. It was decided to send everyone an issue again which will cost about \$30. Postage now is \$205. 65 members are getting theirs by e-mail.

MERCHANTS:

Discussed past participation in scarecrow and felt it was not something we wanted to do. Wondering what they are planning for the holidays. Their meeting is next week and more will be known then. The Fairport-Perinton Merchants' Assoc. (FPMA) meetings: They are held at 8:30 AM in the Village Hall on the 4th Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September, and November (11/27 this year). We pay two fees - 1st for 15.00, which I think is an application fee and the 2nd \$50.00 for our space. We discussed ways to participate in their activities. Canal Days is one event that we have participated in and the question came up about the fees for this. Pat has since investigated and found out that we pay two fees - 1st for 15.00, the application fee and the 2nd \$50.00 for the space. The idea to decorate a Victorian style holiday tree was mentioned. Volunteers are needed.

HOUSE TOUR and WORKSHOP:

Bill reported that they are thinking of focusing on the "Faircroft Subdivision" neighborhood, one of the first housing tracks in the area. These houses were built 1910-1930 and have some "Craftman" construction and detail. Styles are Dutch Colonial, English Tudor, and Colonial Revivals, as well as Bungalows. The streets in the subdivision cover one block of W. Church and Nelson, the streets of Galusha, and Clifford and Fifth Avenue. Bill K. has found an old advertisement promoting that area.

The idea of having a two days focusing on housing was proposed and all agreed it was a great idea to pursue. Bill and John's concept is to have a workshop or seminar to showcase restoration and renovation experts for residents. They would like to have this event at the Potter House. Examples of vendors and expertise would be; RC Shaheen, House Parts, Canalside Medalsmith, window repair expert, and floor refinishing. The date for these events was discussed and it was proposed that it be April 19/29th.

HISTORIC STRUCTURE:

Survey: The group reviewed a list of homes that had been identified by the Landmark Society in the 70's and decided to each take a look at 4 to 6 of the addresses. We are starting with the basics, example; is it still there?, If so has it been changed, etc.

Library Showcase: John reviewed the proposed copy and photos for the library showcase that will be in place for the rest of the month of Sept. John motioned to approve the material. The motion was seconded by Bill B. All were in favor. The next meeting is set for November 8th.

ORGANIZATION WORKSHOP:

Doris reported that the meeting is set for September 25th at p.m. in the Museum and Gail Black, John and Jim will be working on this committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

Succession Plan: We discussed further the idea of getting young professionals involved in the board and John is going to contact the Rochester Business Alliance.

Updating by-laws: We need to vote on the new mission statement at the annual meeting in May '08. Doris will revise the document and forward to the board.

NEXT MEETING:

Meeting will be Tuesday, October 16th at 7 p.m. at the Fairport Museum.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Doris Davis-Fritsch

9/30/2007