

Minutes of the Fort LeBoeuf Historical Society General Meeting

February 22, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President, Judy Nelson.

All members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rita Russell read the minutes of the January meeting. They were approved as read.

Judy introduced member, Thatcher Baney who was the Good Kid of the Week of WJET TV. He volunteers to help at the Historical Society and is working to start a Junior Historical Society.

Kathy presented the Financial Statement. We currently have \$36,797.55 in the general fund and \$41,043.93 in Reserved Savings. It will be placed for audit.

Judson House-Marsha indicated that they will be cleaning prior to opening. For the opening week-end of May 4, 5 and 6. Adam Peters and Anita Palmer will be bringing some of their artifacts. They both have a big Facebook following. We will have a banner made. We need to get a new sign made for the Judson House. We also need to get a new price for the railings at the Judson House. We also need to have someone look at the trees along 1st Street Alley. Appears they are dying and need to be taken down.

Museum report-Jim has completed the wall in the meeting room. As usual, he has done an amazing job. The front exterior wall needs to be looked at once the weather breaks, to determine what is causing the bowing. Rugs will be cleaned on March 2.

Eagle Hotel-tables and chairs will be cleaned on Saturday, February 24th at 9 a.m. The rugs will be cleaned on March 2. Simonian Electric is coming out to check on the report about the boiler and the lights. We will have the windows cleaned prior to our re-opening week-end of May 4-5-6.

Ed Pfadt indicated that he would like to do gravestone cleaning the 2nd weekend of May if possible. Pricing is to be established.

Accessioning report-Heidi has been receiving help from Mercyhurst students. It is a big project and we thank Heidi for all her help.

Also, thanks to Heidi for the Newsletter. We had many compliments.

Pierogi sale-Sandy indicated that she needs the orders. You can pick them up on March 9th at the American Legion.

George Washington Event-Brad Moore from Congressman Thompson's office was going to reach out to some sources for us. Joan Mancuso has obtained the speaker for the December event. He is David Preston.

Any changes to be made to our brochure must be given to Kathy by the end of the month.

Any advertising for an event needs at least 2 months, and in some cases 3 months. See Barb for guidelines.

We contacted Smoke and Fire newspaper re: prices for advertising. They put 2 ads in the paper for us at no charge and are interested in running an article on our campus at no charge. Jim will send them pictures and information and they will write the article.

There is some Byler's available for \$3.50.

There was a meeting at the Boro Building on February 12 to attempt to organize another business association. There were approx. 15 people in attendance. We will attend as representation from the Historical Society. This should be good for the town.

The Board made a motion to have a golf outing at Union City Country Club in August. They sent us a letter asking if we were interested. We would sell the holes for \$100 or \$150 each. We would need to get prizes. A motion to hold this was made by Sandy and seconded by Gene and carried.

There is a possibility that we may be able to have the use of the back room at Joe's Auto Part's building as Campus Gift Shop. There have talks with Jesse Fiske about the use of this at no cost and his being a major sponsor. Keep your fingers crossed.

Zona Miller has resigned as corresponding secretary due to a conflict. A motion was made by Barb and seconded by Audrey that Sandy become the corresponding secretary. Motion carried.

Due to several surgeries coming up with members we are asking that everyone that can possibly help out, please do so. Jim is having cataract surgery March 7, Judy is scheduled for total knee replacement on April 24 and Rita is having shoulder problems and has no idea what is going on. Judy Mathay has had a slight stroke. Please keep her in your prayers.

A motion was made by Marsha and seconded by Sandy that we spend \$25 for flowers or whatever Jack feels is appropriate for Judy. Motion carried.

A Waterford Days meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at the Museum.

A motion to adjourn was made by Audrey and seconded by Ed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Russell.

Secretary