

Wilmot Historical Society
Minutes of Meeting held on June 15, 2015
Town Offices at 1:10 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.

Present: Nola Aldrich, Lindy Heim, Sue Finney, Julie Morse, Judy Hauck, Mary Fanelli and Marc Davis

Secretary's report – approved with minor corrections

Treasurer's report

Checking Account -	\$11,759.72
Memorial Fund -	\$4,446.67
CDs:	\$20,984.77 \$10,039.94
Expenses to date:	\$3,395.10 May expenses \$104.50, \$180.80 (flags)
Member Count	93
Grant income	\$250.00
Grant outflow	\$398.00

New Business

Curiosity Shop - Lindy

When Lindy asked the town that we be allowed to put a storage shed on the town green, her request was denied. Thus, we will continue to store CS items in stackable plastic bins in the history room. She has posted the hours for the CS both on WOW and in the Andover Beacon.

Preservation and Acquisition – Marc

- Keene State has digitized two more of the Thompson diaries gratis. Marc moved that we give them a \$100.00 donation in return. The motion was approved. It seems that there are diaries of more than one Thompson in the collection (two 1890 diaries), which means that the digital download and biographical information will be delayed. Marc will supply as much biographical information as he can find. Marc currently has 6 diaries on his thumb drive and will download these to the WHS computer.
- Connie Forsham: Marc has e-mailed Betsy Forsham, and found that she is available on Wed. or Fri. mornings. One visit will probably not be enough to go through everything in the collection. Fred will research the history of the house, and Lindy will ask about any reminiscences Betsy may have about the Campbell, Goodhue and Forsham families.
- The reminiscences binder was found in the Campbell trunk and will remain there. Emily will transcribe handwritten material, and Judy will see if pdf files can be searched.
- The board will be able to view the results of the video editing trial at our next meeting.

Program – Fred

The next program will be a Cracker Barrel about Connie Forsham – A Walk into History. It will focus on the Forsham collection with the participation of the family, we hope. Betsy especially, and perhaps other family members. Fred will talk about Connie and the history of the Goodhues. The WCA has been reserved for the Nov. 8 program.

WHS Action Item List

Julie will:

- Get dimension of and help display the quilt safely in a public domain – perhaps the Library or the WCA.

Marc will:

- Write Connie Jordon, the WCA and the WPL giving them the quilt dimensions
- Check on scanner prices
- Complete an offsite storage form for the WHS artifacts at your residence
- Download Thompson diaries onto the WHS computer
- Grant monies
- Judy and Marc will consider a summer scanning project and photo contest 2014. Leading from the Cracker Barrel Program – special meetings with specific families.
- Sue Finney and Marc will try out the Wilmot family homes project starting with a couple of old Wilmot families to work out the kinks before a full blown effort
- Make a date with Betsy to view and help organize the collection she wishes us to have
- With Judy, consider a summer photo scanning project
- With Sue, launch the Wilmot Family Homes project

Lindy will:

- interview Loretta Rayno about the Jelly Ladies specifically
- manage the transcribing program on trial with Kim White starting with a couple of oral history tapes

Fred will:

- organize the Ann. Mtg. program in Nov. featuring Betsy Forsham's family and treasures

Mary will:

- website updates
- help summer docents collect info on people featured on the WHS website

Our next meeting will be at 1:00 PM August 10, in the Town Offices

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hauck