

Wilmot Historical Society
November 9, 2023
Wilmot Town Office – 5:30 PM

Liz Kirby, president, called the meeting to order at 5:45

Present were Marc Davis, Julie Morse, Mary Fanelli, Sara Timberlake, Catherine Stearns, and Carolyn Rayno.

Minutes—of October 12, 2023 meeting were accepted as circulated.

Treasurer's Report – accepted (See below)

Membership—November 1 begins a new membership year. We have three new members.

OLD BUSINESS/ACTION ITEM LIST

Donations in Memory of Walter Walker – To date we have received \$1575.

Genealogy Committee – Carolyn (See report attached.)

Acquisitions Committee – Catherine

We received 100 years of the Andover town report; more donations from Walter Walker's collection; a locally made Della Robbia candle holder from Barbara Rousseau.

Three taped interviews from Gail Matthews were digitized and put on thumb drives: Mildred Howard, Clayton Nowell, and John Schlosser.

Annual Meeting Review/Debrief

Minutes – Mary asked for input of anything she may have missed , which she received from board members. She will send out a draft before publishing on the website.

Debriefing – Pros and Cons

Liz asked what we might have done differently. Sara liked the displays and felt they should all be together in one place that is easily accessible. Someone else suggested that before or after the program make sure that the audience is invited to become a member of the WHS and make sure that forms are there to do so. All in all, everyone agreed that it was a really great meeting. Sara said her father was very impressed at the camaraderie among the members.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Officers – Carolyn made motion to have all officers remain in place. Marc seconded it. Liz asked if there was any discussion. Mary said she did not want to take minutes any more. If someone would do this, she would remain as secretary. Sara Timberlake offered to take the minutes. We just need to find a suitable title for this position.

Committee Appointments

Find list below that was started but not finished due to time constraints.

Boston Post Cane - Committee

OTHER BUSINESS

Reminder – Genealogy Committee to keep minutes to attach to records

Genealogy Committee – _see below

ADJOURNMENT

7 pm. adjourned with the rest of the agenda postponed.

NEXT MEETING – 14 December 2023 at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Fanelli, secretary

Draft of Committees for 2024

Building Committee

Judy Hauck, Mary Fanelli, Bruce Sanborn, Sara Timberlake, Julie Morse

Fundraising

Mary Fanelli

Genealogy

Carolyn Rayno, Bruce Sanborn, Catherine Stearns, Liz Kirby, Heather Mather, Karen Hanson, Dave Janis

Veterans Memorial

Liz Kirby, Robbie Kaplan, and Elliott Cunningham

Nominating

Board of Directors

Oral History

none

Acquisition

Catherine Stearns,

Program

Carolyn??

Public Relations

Mary Fanelli

Technology

10/31/23 Genealogy Committee Meeting Summary

In attendance: Liz (Thompson) Kirby, Catherine Stearns, Karen (Phelps) Hanson, Bruce Sanborn, Carolyn (Stearns) Rayno, Luan Clark (visitor several times recently) *Not there:* Heather Mather

We had another inspiring gathering with much conversation.

Several people shared information the whole group could appreciate. Karen mentioned she attended the NH Society of Genealogists Fall Conference 10/21. One exciting thing she learned is that UNH digitized all known town reports for the entire state of NH, available to view online(!). We looked up several of Wilmot's reports to check it out.

Luan brought some old news clippings with photos of several Wilmot residents we previously discussed. She also brought a Proctor Academy Alumni Directory printed in 1947 with many familiar Wilmot names. It is a wonderful resource we would love to find for our collection.

Toward the end, several people prepared materials to take to the upcoming WHS annual meeting 11/5, especially Liz and Catherine.

We have not yet decided the date of our next meeting but it will probably be sometime midway between the monthly WHS board meetings.

Liz Kirby shared a postcard that was given to her that was written by her great grandmother.

Wilmot Historical Society FY 2023 Treasurer's Report	
Income	
Dues	\$ 495.00
Donations	\$ 6,175.00
Grants	\$ 2,800.00
Books	\$ 163.00
Interest	\$ 900.75
Total Income:	\$ 10,533.75
Expenses	
Oral Histories	\$ 4,900.00
Dues/Fees	\$ 2,386.00
Print/Advertising	\$ 464.00
Equipment	\$ 200.00
Postage	\$ 190.19
Digitizing	\$ 45.00
Fundraising	\$ 177.44
Supplies	\$ 266.70
Misc.	\$ 483.30
Total Expenses:	\$ 9,112.63
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 1,421.12
Total Cash Assets	
	\$ 44,822.21
Encumbrances	
Veteran's Memorial (Restricted)	\$ 1,942.56
Building Fund (Restricted)	\$ 21,153.00
Town Hall Project (Restricted)	\$ 10,000.00
Walter Walker Memorial (Restricted)	\$ 1,445.00
Total Encumbered Cash:	\$ 34,540.56
Total Unencumbered Cash:	\$ 10,281.65
Bank Accounts	
Operating Checking	\$ 1,575.12
Money Market	\$ 9,339.87
12 Mo. CDs @ 5% APY (Mature 10/17/24)	\$ 33,907.22
Total in Bank Accounts	\$ 44,822.21

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