Johnson Historical Society Meeting 10 February 2016 at the Dr. Holcomb House

Present: Linda Jones, Alice Whiting, Dean West, Tom Carney, Lois Frey. Regrets: Frank Dodge, Jane Marshall, Jessyca West & Howard Romero. Guest: Aggie West.

Linda Jones called the meeting to order at 9 AM. Review of the agenda had no changes.

Secretary's Report: Review of the minutes of 13 January 2016 generated a request by Aggie West to clarify the costs for the display board. It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the minutes with 61.53 noted as the cost for the display board.

It was then moved, seconded and approved to reimburse the West's \$61.53 for the display board.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Carney reported a balance of \$14,926.69 as of February 10, 2016.

Budget Report: Budget materials as presented in the Town Report were reviewed.

Building Committee Report:

*Tom Carney reported that the telephone (635-2300) and email (johnsonhs@myfairpoint.net) are installed. We are now looking for a digital telephone and answering machine, which do not need to be new.

*Following discussion of the computer set-up and the old version of Windows on both of our computers, Lois Frey said she would follow-up with Bob Stein to get his recommendations. In anticipation of required changes, it was moved, seconded and approved to upgrade to Windows 10 and to purchase a Microsoft Word program.

*Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and approved to purchase a combination printer, scanner, & copier to satisfy our needs, not to exceed \$175. (Note record expenditure in equipment category: 50.7.80.25.)

Fundraising Report:

- *Alice Whiting reported numbers for the membership campaign to date: 34 renewals, 11 new members, 1 business renewal, and 6 new businesses as well as donations of \$295. Aggie West gave two more memberships to Alice for processing.
- *The Building Fund Committee is working on a capital campaign brochure, presently awaiting photographs of the interior of the Dr. Holcomb House.
- *Quilt raffle tickets are on-sale until Town Meeting Day.

Acquisitions:

- *Patty Lehouillier donated a professionally printed copy of the wedding certificate of Albert Lambert and Gertrude Marcy dated January 1, 1900.
- *Dean and Aggie West donated a box of 18 collectibles and papers.

Arbor Day Tree Planting; The Johnson Tree Board has offered to plant a tree at the Dr. Holcomb House. They will work with the town and Dig Safe to assure an appropriate location. They

asked if we had a desired location for a tree. Those present approved the idea and recommend the tree be planted in the vicinity of the Cold Spring. Their suggested May 7th date in the afternoon is an acceptable date.

Next meeting will be held on March 9, 2016 at 9 AM at the Dr. Holcomb House. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Meeting minutes recorded by Lois Frey, Recording Secretary