

Johnson Historical Society Meeting
13 May 2015 at the Holcomb House at 9:00 AM

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

Linda Jones called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

The agenda was reviewed with two additions: Plan for yard sale and Discuss building use policy.

It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the meeting minutes of April 8, 2015 as printed.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Carney reported a balance of \$17,677.11 in the Society's operating account.

Building committee Report:

Dean West reported the building committee has not met. Work is progressing on the building. Rick Emery has finished the floors in the parlor and dining room. His next step is to prep the floor for laying the new flooring in the East & West Rooms. Outside, the new roofing is complete and work continues on the handicapped accessible ramp. The bathroom is complete except for paper towel & toilet paper holders (Dean will purchase.) and the galley has been installed.

A building, window, and galley cleaning work session is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19th at 9 AM. The building will be pressure washed, the storm windows removed, all windows cleaned and the storm windows placed back up.

Fundraising Report:

Membership: No additional memberships to report.

Building Fund Committee: Alice Whiting reported that donations to the Building Fund have slowed down. The Committee is working on preparing a brochure and some other activities to continue their task.

Acquisitions: Two items have been received or promised: A) Alice has a Johnson Post Office sign from the mid-1960s from the Ken Neill collection and B) Linda shared a picture taken and donated by Tyler Backus of the Parker & Stearns Flooring Mill (circa 1990). Caroline Lamb offered the Society a wooden heating table to keep food warm, perhaps at Tuesday Night Live. Those present send thanks to Caroline for the offer, which they decided not to accept since it would not likely be used and storage will be a problem.

A framework for accepting acquisitions will be developed for future use. Members will gather examples from other Historical Societies: Stowe (Alice), Morrisville (Linda), Cambridge (Lois), Derby/Danville (Aggie) & Milton (Jane). **An acquisition policy work session will be held Thursday, May 21st at 8:30 AM at the Dr. Holcomb House.**

Following discussion, **it was moved, seconded and approved to expend up to \$200 to have the kitchen sink and parlor stove sandblasted.** Dean and Tom will make arrangements.

Programs/Projects:

A work session to start developing the layout for furniture and exhibits in the building will follow the acquisition session on Thursday, May 21st.

The History Yard Sale is tentatively set for June 19 & 20.

Future Planning:

Following discussion, it was agreed that a building use policy will be developed by Dean for action at the next meeting.

A plan to move-in to the Dr. Holcomb House will be discussed at the next meeting which will be held on 10 June 2015 at 9 AM.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Meeting minutes recorded by Lois Frey, Secretary