

Johnson Historical Society Monthly Meeting  
9 May 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Holcomb House

Present: Linda Jones, Alice Whiting, Dick Simays, Dean West, Tom Carney, Duncan Hastings, Jane Marshall, and Lois Frey. Regrets: Frank Dodge. Guest: Aggie West.

Linda called the meeting to order with a review of the agenda. Dean added open house for all JHS members and handicapped ramp suggestion. Linda shared a letter from Steve Parker.

The minutes of 11 April and 1 May 2018 were approved as printed.

The Treasurer's Report showed a balance of \$22,379.65 with a checkbook figure of \$17,138. 30. The report was accepted as presented.

Budget Report: It was noted that Rosemary posted our \$1,500 contribution to the town. A one year report of JHS income and expenses should be available for the July 11<sup>th</sup> Trustee meeting after Rosemary closes-out the fiscal year which ends June 30th. A review of that report could be helpful for future planning.

Administrative items:

\*June 2018 House Host schedule: The House schedule will return to Sundays & Thursdays.

June 03: Dean West                      June 07: Tom Carney  
June 10: Linda Jones                    June 14: Jane Marshall  
June 17: Jane Marshall                 June 21: Duncan Hastings  
June 24: Ed Raymond & Lynn Sibley  
    June 28: Lois Frey

\*Following a discussion of host recruitment it was agreed upon for each trustee to make a potential recruitment list for the next meeting.

\*JSC Art: Alice reported she informally spoke with Elaine Collins and Sharon Scott, who said they would be in touch.

\*Accessioning System: Duncan will continue work on the project, meeting with Linda and Lois on May 24<sup>th</sup> to address the numbering system.

Building Committee Report:

\*Carriage Room: Dean reported the cement has been poured and is curing in the Carriage Room. Cost: \$1,423. The project now needs mudding and sanding. Lights need to be hung. When the time is right for moving everything to its proper location, Tom will organize a work crew.

\*Handicapped Ramp: Dean suggested a summer project be to stain the handicapped ramp and sand & stain the railing.

### Programs/Projects:

\*Future Events: It was decided to postpone the Remember When: A Ladies View to Sunday, June 24th at 2 PM. Dean and Alice will continue to make arrangements. Details to be announced when finalized.

\*Dean suggested JHS should schedule an open house for all members. No action taken.

\*Strategic Planning: The minutes of the Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> strategic planning session have been posted. Following review, **it was moved, seconded and approved to accept the Holcomb House Use & Sales Agreement as revised following the May 1<sup>st</sup> strategic planning meeting.** The next session is scheduled for May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10 AM to noon.

\*Foundation Mapping Project: Duncan reported he has received word of the first cellar hole and a first volunteer as he works at building a core group. He is reaching out to the VT Historical Society for a prototype permission form and other archeological resources.

\*Tuesday Night Live: Following discussion **it was moved, seconded and approved to purchase a trailer with a side door for use at Tuesday Night Live at a cost of \$2,700 using money from the JHS Capital Reserve Fund.** Duncan will alert Brian Story of this JHS action.

### Fundraising Report:

\*Membership: Alice reported one new member since the last report.

\*Building Fund Committee: Alice reported she continues to receive donations (3) in support of the Johnson Historical Society, Inc. Capital Campaign. Lacking support for a major basket project, ideas generated for do-able fundraising included use of E-bay, ETSEY, or a September lawn sale.

### Acquisitions:

\*Aggie delivered a booklet, *The Wonders of Johnson 2018* which was prepared by the sixth grade students following their visit to the Holcomb House and Dean's visit to their class.

\*Linda delivered a photo book she prepared about the recent ice jam.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting will be at 9 AM on June 13<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting minutes recorded by Lois Frey, Recording Secretary