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MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of Meeting
Public Safety Building, Montgomery Center

Wednesday, February 15, 2012 @ 5:30 PM

THESE ARE THE UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

Board Members and Members Present:

Board Members - Marijke Dollois, Sue Wilson, Pat Farmer, Ken Secor, Patty Perl

Scott called the Meeting to order at 5:37 PM.

1. **Recognition visitors/guests:**

None

2. **This Month in Montgomery History:**

Vermont's "Lumber King" Charles Taylor Hall was born in Montreal in 1862. He was owner, President and Business Manager of several Montgomery mills (Nelson and Hall) including the largest butter tub mill in the U.S.

3. **History Quiz:**

From 1793-1795 Montgomery was the only town with any population including all contiguous towns. This was no longer true by 1800. Which Franklin county town, contiguous to Montgomery, had the greatest population in 1800?

A. Enosburg B. Bakersfield C. Richford D. Berkshire E. Lowell

The answer is B, Bakersfield 222. Enosburg 143 and Richford 113. Berkshire is not contiguous and Lowell is not in Franklin county.

4. **Show and Tell:**

None

5. **The Main Event:**

Minutes:

Sue made a Motion, seconded by Ken to approve the Minutes of January 18, 2012 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report – 02/15/11:

Checking balance	\$ 5,531.03
Lalia Pratt Hays CD	595.15
Stained Glass windows CD.....	5,792.28
Michael Domina Print S/A.....	708.01
Savings Account – West Wall	\$ 4,200.19

75 Affinity members

Every month \$100.00 will be moved from the checking account into the West Wall Savings Account, provided that all bills are kept current.

There are 3 new affinity members; Patty signed up at the Meeting.

Marijke made a Motion, seconded by Patty to approve the Treasurer's Report of February 15, 2012 as presented; Motion was unanimously approved.

Membership:

Marijke reported that so far two members have renewed for a total of \$75.00.

Old business:

- A. Town History Book update – no further action
- B. CEA – Comments were very positive and it was proposed that the CEA may hold another event, but possibly in the summer.
- C. Review Events List – see attached; Marijke will confirm with Marsha as to the exact date of the CBGC Harvest Fest.
- D. New Board Members – the Board Members present welcomed Patty to the Board. We're all happy she joined!
- E. 2012 calendar – approximately 130 calendars have been sold. A great success! The 2013 calendar will be published by the Montgomery Conservation Committee; the MHS can do one for 2014.

- F. Proposed budget – see attached.

It was proposed to delete the columns for Actual 2006 and 2007 to simplify reading of the budget, as these columns include several lines that are no longer applicable (e.g. lines 15, 17, 26-32).

Further changes:

Line 14 Concert Series Ticket Sales – increase to \$1,500

Line 19 General Donations Box – reduce to \$200

Line 20 Interest Income – correct amount is \$28.44

Line 33 Special Donation – delete the name “Thibault”

The budget will be finalized at the March Meeting.

G. Concerts/Piano purchase or free

This item was tabled until the March meeting. The concerns expressed were:

- a) Where would the piano be stored?
- b) Cost of maintenance (tuning)
- c) Cost and efforts to move the piano twice a year

H. Radar scope:

- 1) Teaching American History Grant
- 2) Domina print fundraiser update
- 3) Old maps project.....making progress
- 4) Grant writing.....next year
- 5) VT History Expo (Civil War)
- 6) Ave Leslie Presentation – Spring..... TBD
- 7) Speakers: Spring...Tortolano May 17th and Bennett TBD
- 8) Clayton Fuller artifacts/ephemera – nothing found so far
- 9) Beers Atlas and large County Map acquisition – Scott to follow up with Marsha

6. **New business:**

None

7. **Adjourn:**

Pat moved a Motion, seconded by Ken to adjourn at 6:30 P.M. Said Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Marijke M. Dollois

MHS 2012 Dates
As of: 2/9/12

Board of Directors Meet the Third Wednesday of each month at Pratt Hall (April-October) or the Montgomery Public Service Building.

March Membership Drive

May 17th, Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Speaker, Dr. William Tortalano on the Canadian Group of 7 Landscape Painting Movement, Pratt Hall.

May 28th, Monday, 10:00 a.m. Annual Memorial Day Commemoration, Hill West Cemetery.

June 16th and 17th, Saturday and Sunday, VT History Expo at Tunbridge, VT

June 29th, Friday, 6:00 p.m. MHS Annual Meeting (TENTATIVE)

July 7th, Saturday, 8:00p.m., Concerts By The Common #1, Pratt Hall

August 11th, Saturday, 8:00p.m., Concerts By The Common #2, Pratt Hall

August Member Appreciation and Art Show Reception

August Art Show and Sale

September 15th, Saturday, 8:00p.m., Concerts By The Common #3, Pratt Hall

September - LLHS Award Nominations Due.

November - League Of Local Historical Societies Annual Meeting

December 14th Friday, 6:00 p.m., Membership Holiday Social, Pratt Hall

December 15th Saturday, 1:00-4:00, Open House, Pratt Hall.

December 16th Sunday, 6:30p.m., Carols and Candles, Pratt Hall.

