MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting Town Clerk's Office, Montgomery Center

Wednesday, April 28, 2010 @ 5:30 PM

THESE ARE THE UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

Board Members and Members Present:

Scott Perry, Sue Wilson, Marijke Dollois, Pat Farmer, Parma Jewett, Ken Secor

Scott called the Meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Recognition of visitors/guests: None

Show and Tell:

Scott presented Bill Branthoover's latest compilation of Montgomery Schools starting in 1804 providing locations and data on school budgets and populations. It was suggested this might be of enough interest to be put in a booklet format with some further updated information.

1. Minutes of 03/17/10:

Sue made a Motion, seconded by Parma to approve the Minutes of 03/17/10 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.

2. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report – 04/27/10:

Checking balance	\$ 9,299.95
Lalia Pratt CD	589.81
Capital Improvement CD	
Stained Glass windows CD	5,743.97
Savings balance – Domina picture	226.51
Line of Credit balance owed	\$ 12,380.00

61 Affinity Members signed up as of 04/28/10.

Marijke made a Motion, seconded by Pat to approve the Treasurer's Reports of April 28, 2010 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.

Sue reported that a check will be made out to the MHS next month in the amount of \pm \$6,000 as a result of the Affinity Program; the Board was very pleasantly surprised and thankful; this is an unexpected bonus.

Sue recommended closing the Capital Improvement CD as it earns very little interest and using the funds to apply to the principal of the Line of Credit which charges 5.25% interest. Ken made the Motion to act as recommended; the Motion was seconded by Marijke and unanimously approved.

3. Membership Update:

Marijke reported ± 112 members renewed for $\pm \$5,000.00$ for 2010.

4. Old Business:

- A. Pratt Hall
 - 1) Front entryway project Scott, Ken and Bill met with Knob Hill Joinery to discuss the proposed work. A proposal was received for Scott's review. The floor has been ripped up again to allow the contractors to see the scope of work. It was discovered that the main corner posts of the tower show extended rot and will require partial replacement. Also, there is new evidence of powder post beetles and further treatment will be required. A discussion took place on "fixing" or "restoring" the building. The consensus was that wherever necessary the building will be fixed with modern technology and materials without compromising the <u>visible</u> historical structure, architecture and design.
 - 2) Clock the clock is working but not chiming; Green Mountain Clock will be contacted by Scott or Rocky.
- B. Town History Book Update Jo Anne is working on the update.
- C. Butler Decorative Cloth/Ledgers from Parker Store Mr. Douglas Butler will be in Montgomery on May 7th to meet with Scott, Joanne and Parma to present the Decorative Cloth and other Montgomery records for the archive.
 - George Roberts is a cousin of Mr. Butler and mentioned to Scott he also has some ledgers and photographs that might be of interest to the MHS.
- D. Scholarship program Marijke will contact Renée Patterson for a list of the 2010 Montgomery graduating high school students and send them an application package; the respective school guidance counselors will also be sent information. Scott will contact Rita to see if she will once again chair the scholarship committee.
- E. Annual Meeting the date will be June 25th at 6:00 PM, to be catered by Parma; she will be refunded the cost of electricity and other incidentals. The Board is very appreciative of all her work.
- F. Things to keep on the radar scope No action taken
 - Domina Print Fundraiser Update
 - Old Maps Project Scott
 - Archives Update, Policy Straw Man Scott, Parma
 - Pratt Hall Rental Policy (Backup Policy)
- G. Memorial Day Speaker a suggestion was made to ask Mary Carol Mankin.

5. New Business:

Spruce-up Day – No action taken.

6. Adjourn:

Pat moved and Parma seconded a Motion to adjourn at 6:55 P.M. Said Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Marijke M. Dollois