



MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
Minutes of Meeting  
Pratt Hall, Montgomery

Wednesday, August 18, 2010 @ 5:30 PM

THESE ARE THE UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

**Board Members and Members Present:**

Board Members Scott Perry, Marijke Dollois, Pat Farmer, Jo Anne Bennett, Bill Branthoover

Scott called the Meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

**Recognition visitors/guests:**

None

**Minutes:**

- April 28, 2010 – Pat made a Motion, seconded by Bill to approve the Minutes of April 28, 2010 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.
- May 5, 2010 – Jo Anne made a Motion, seconded by Pat to approve the Minutes of May 5, 2010 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.
- June 16, 2010 – Pat made a Motion, seconded by Jo Anne to approve the Minutes of June 16, 2010 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

No update

**Membership:**

Marijke reported a membership of 176 for a total of \$8,565.00 received.

**Old business:**

A. Pratt Hall

- 1) Front entryway project update – Bill, Pat, Ken, Scott and Charlie will work on the entrance sometime next week
- 2) Clock – Luke Scheffler is the new clockwinder at a pay of \$50.00/month; Pat made a Motion, seconded by Marijke to hire Luke Scheffler as clockwinder and pay him \$50.00/month; Motion was unanimously approved.
- 3) Powder Post Beetles update – Pat Farmer received a report from Vermont Dept. of Forest, Parks & Recreation prepared by Dan Dillner. The beetle collected was identified as “Anobiid Deathwatch”; although not a true powder post beetles, it acts in much the same way by infesting old timbers. Treatment recommended was the use of TimBor or Bora-Care – the latter being the preferential treatment. Pat investigated the cost of the following purchases:

1 case/4 gls. Bora-Care	-	\$ 360.00
1 4 gal. Backpack sprayer	-	\$100.00-120.00
Respirator w/ filters	-	\$100.00

Scott asked Pat for some more information before the Board makes a decision regarding shelflife of Bora-Care, storage, disposal and special permits and ask Paul Grenier what product he has used in the past.

B. Town History Book Update –

Jo Anne reported that the work is in progress and she hopes to have something to present by October

C. Membership reminder letter – Marijke offered to prepare a reminder letter and do the subsequent mailing.

D. Concerts By The Common – no update; attendance appeared to be down from last year

E. Annual Meeting – attendance (34) was down from last year (48). We need to re-think format and presentation for next year

F. HarvestFest Exhibit – it was decided not to open up Pratt Hall for an exhibit; too many activities going on in town. However, Noela and Marijke will man a table on the Village Green to sell the town history book, cards, Domina print etc.

G. Teach American History – Scott McLaughlin, a UVM graduate student, received a grant to start a project in coordination with school teachers and historical organizations to enhance the teaching of local history.

H. Radar scope

- Domina print fundraiser update
- Old maps project
- Grant writing
- Archives update- policy straw man

**New business:**

School visit – Scott has been in touch with Beth O'Brien for a visit by school students to Pratt Hall or a visit by us to MES in January 2011. We will present either a short history of Montgomery schools or the packing case exhibit.

**Adjourn:**

Bill moved and Jo Anne seconded a Motion to adjourn at 6:30 P.M. Said Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marijke M. Dollois