

The Port Norris Historical Society

ZOOM Meeting March 9, 2021

Members Participating: A. Baum, V. Campbell, R. Cobb. F. Hickman, J. Hickman, L. Hoffman, M.L. Lacotte, J. Lacotte, J. Massey. S. Ricci.

March Meeting: The March agenda, February Secretary's minutes, and Treasurer's report were emailed to active members on March 8, 2021.

Review of Meeting Minutes: Joyce M. made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2021 ZOOM meeting, Alvina B. seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by the unanimous vote of members present at the ZOOM meeting.

Treasurer's Report: The March 2021 Treasurer's report for the month of February 2021 was submitted by Treasurer, Sam R., and emailed to active members. Receipts in the amount of \$493.29 include \$445.00 in membership dues and donations. Disbursements totaled \$143.74 for monthly utility bills. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Ginny C. and seconded by Faye H. The report was approved by the unanimous vote of members present at the ZOOM meeting.

Donations: The PNHS has received \$270.00 in monetary donations toward the Joan R. memorial Oyster Plate purchase.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Ginny C. reported we have 55 members on record. She has mailed (2) one time gifts. Ginny noted the (16) non-paying members are our Living Legends, who are the recipients of an automatic life-time membership. Another email message was sent as a reminder 2021 membership fees are due. All membership dues will continue to be received via postal mail due to the COVID restrictions.

Collections: Pat S. No new special items have been added. Rachel C. will photograph Joan Robbins' family (children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren) on the docks holding the David Robbins 15 ft. long schooner flag donated by Joan R.

General Business:

Seed Swap: Rachel C. and Gloria G. held the Seed Swap on Saturday, March 6th, with 8 people visiting during the one and a half hour outdoor event. Leftover seeds were donated to the Holly Farm.

Dehumidifier: Ginny C.'s husband continues to research information on various humidifier units to consider for purchase which would be energy efficient, yet large enough to suit our needs. Sam R. has received a quote for a wall mounted unit. A report will be given at next month's meeting.

Newsletter: Dick S. and Rachel C. worked together to compose the latest (8) page newsletter, a special edition featuring Dave and Joan Robbins. Rachel took pictures of photos at Joan son's, Bobby's house. Gloria G. typed the written portion and Ginny C. will proofread the newsletter. Dick will pay for the printing of issues for family copies.

Soup Dinner: The Soup Dinner may be scheduled for the fall months, as late spring or summer is not the ideal time for selling soup. Many changes will be instituted in order to comply with state guidelines and Port Norris Fire Co. policies. Tickets will be sold as a pre-paid, pre-order, take-out only, drive-through event. The soup menu will be limited to (4) or (5) varieties, sold in quarts only, using recipes from our legends. All soups must be cooked on the premises of the fire hall. A detailed plan will have to be written to be presented to the members of the PN Fire Hall for approval.

Legends Awards: There will be no new Legends formally presented for the 2021 year. Rachel C. suggested that we use the Soup Dinner as the forum to keep public awareness of our Legends award winners. To celebrate our Legends program, a special booklet/flier,

highlighting the past 80 plus legends honored, could be distributed at the soup dinner. It was also suggested to produce a video of all the past legends to be available on our website. Information about the video could be included with each take-out dinner.

Projects:

Prints of Emma Peterson Paintings: Rachel is working on the order for Rachel Mertz.

Pennsville Farm Day Event: The Pennsville Township Historical Society invited us to set up a table at their fundraising event to be held on Saturday, June 5th. A decision was made not to attend.

Comment/Suggestions/Announcements:

Rachel will be in California from March 29th to Tuesday, April 6th.

PNHS Meeting: Next meeting will be a ZOOM meeting on Tuesday, April 13, at 7:00pm. The possibility of having the May meeting in-person at the headquarters building was expressed.

Mary Linda Lacotte, Assistant Secretary