

Port Norris Historical Society
September 13, 2016
Regular Meeting

Attendance: Rev. E. Barnes, A. Baum, E. Bernhart, R. Berry, R.Cobb, F. & J. Hickman, J. Hickman, L. Hoffman, C.& J. Robbins, D. & P. Smith.

Historic Show and Tell was presented by Faye Hickman. She shared an essay written by Jordan Robbins when he was a worker at the Library. It is the history of the Robbinsville School Library. She also showed a picture of that building done by Barbara Adams. (See the September Newsletter for a copy of the essay.)

Meeting was called to order by Rachel Cobb at 7:15p.

Review of Minutes as e-mailed: Motion to approve as e-mailed by Dick Smith, 2nd by Faye Hickman. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Copies of August 31st treasurer's report distributed and reviewed by Liz Hoffman, Treasurer. There were no questions or comments. Motion to accept by Joann Hickman 2nd by Eileen Bernhardt. Approved. On file with original minutes.

Donations: Belva Prycel has donated a large and beautiful oil painting of a meadow scene. It will be hung on the back wall of the meeting room. There is also a smaller painting which was in need of a new mat. John Guidera was kind enough to deliver the paintings to us from Maine. He also saw to the matting. Thank you notes will be sent to both. Joanne Hickman found a great buy on a large coffee urn in good condition. She purchased it and donated it to us. We have heard from Ethalinda Blackman that she will be in NJ during the last week in September. She is bringing with her a small rocking chair and baby bed. She feels that they belong here in Port Norris. Rachel found some interesting napkin holders from Galiyano's restaurant and donated them.

Committee Reports:

Membership – Ginny Campbell is in Maine. Membership remains at 81 & 1 new one. Total 82.

Collections- No Report.

Grants: Joyce Massey reviewed some grant applications and reported that they all required an "art statement".

Alvina Baum and Dick Smith reported that grants were submitted to South Jersey Industries requesting \$5000 for help with an ADA handicapped accessible bathroom. Also, to Gannet for \$1000 for signage for the area. No response at this time from either.

(Dick discussed that there is a warehouse full of signs owned by the environmental commission locked up somewhere, going to waste)

DBWM: Rachel reported that she will be proposing that each meeting going forward will only deal with one focus topic. The next meeting will be to get the web-site on line. Rachel will be working closely with Meghan .

Baseball Caps: Discussed design and price. Rachel will work on design so that caps would be ready for Legends dinner and Christmas. We decided that denim was best. Lengthy discussion regarding minimum orders and pricing. She will bring designs to next meeting. Motion by Robin Berry 2nd by Eileen Bernhardt.

Building: The men are taking some time off and are in the "planning stage". Need planning meeting just for the building.

There is a donation from Dick's Wells Fargo agent for the chili dinner. Discussed acknowledgement signs for patrons and complimentary tickets for large donations. Agreed to work with Dick on what is needed.

Voting on Legends for 2016:

Nominated : Living Legends were Barbara Adams, Evalina Sharp Vidal and O'Connell Brown
1900's Willis Robbins, Jr., Vera B. Sockwell, and Joseph N. Fowler
Historical- Samuel Shinn

Elected: Barbara Adams, O'Connell Brown
Willis Robbins, Jr., Joseph N. Fowler, Vera B. Sockwell
Samuel Shinn

Letters will be sent ASAP to each or their representative.

Invitations will be ordered and sent during the first week in October in as far as possible.

Invite past Legends, Township Committee

We will need items for a Chinese Auction. Larger items (Silent auction)have not sold well in the past. Also need a door prize.

Menu items have been submitted to Liz and will be on the RSVP . They are Chicken Bistro , Denver Steak, Stuffed Pork Loin, Vegetables, peas and carrots, oven roasted potatoes Dessert pineapple & Coconut bread pudding.

There is very little margin of profit in this meal. The date is November 13th and the Woman's club will be the venue.

There being no further business , moved the meeting be adjourned.

Alvina Baum, Secretary