

Port Norris Historical Society

Minutes to meeting of April 12, 2011

Officers present: President Liz Hoffman, Treasurer Joanne Hickman, Secretary Donna Moore

Trustees present: Alvina Baum, Steve Moore, Richard Smith, Rachel Cobb

Meeting called to order at 7PM by President Liz Hoffman.

Treasurer's Report:

Membership dues collected - \$50 interest earned \$2.35 Total in account - \$3,541.95

Old Business

Bob Philbin sent an email about purchasing fifes. After discussion it was decided that Donna would contact him and say that we did not want to spend money unless he had participants. (Donna did contact him and he said he would pay for fifes himself).

Richard talked about old Advertiser newspapers that he would like to use as displays in the back of Township meeting room. These would be articles about veterans. Target date for installation is Memorial Day. Liz asked that artifacts be put into the display cabinet in the front of Township Hall.

There was a discussion of having a fundraising yard sale on May 7, the day of the Robbinstown Library plant sale. Liz said it could be on her property at Main and High streets.

Steve drew up a poster and label to brand the coffee with Coffee Jones. It was decided to go with regular coffee (unflavored). We will sell bags of coffee branded with Coffee Jones during Bay Day. We will also get mugs to sell. There will be a write up on Coffee Jones and the anniversary of the naming of Port Norris. It was decided to purchase 4 cases of 6, which will cost \$41.55 with the custom label. This is \$6.92 per unit, which we will sell for \$10 each. We will also purchase 1 case of individual coffees. They are \$46 for a case of 24 with label, for a cost of \$1.92 per unit. We will sell for \$3 each.

There was a discussion on mugs to sell with the coffee. The group authorized Donna to spend up to \$400 for mugs. (72 mugs have been ordered at a total cost of \$252.) The mugs will be marketed at Bay Days and signage will feature a Father's Day presentation. (Suggested by Rachel Cobb via email). We will give out small samples of coffee on Bay Day.

Steve talked about locating the Waterman's Memorial on Germantown Ave. in a triangle area near the parking lot. He will be in touch with someone from PSEG to

get approval. (Spoke to Kenneth Strait from PSEG who offered support for the project).

Liz started a discussion on purchasing a building for the Society. John Laws yellow building on Main Street was discussed. It was decided to contact him and see if we could look inside and talk about a purchase. Starting a capital fund was also discussed. Rev. Barnes suggested we get the churches involved in a capital fund. Alvina suggested we set up a Facebook page.

Rachel Cobb offered to take pictures during the reenactment on Bay Day.

Liz said she wanted to do a yard sale to benefit the Society. It was decided to do it on May 7 to coincided with the Robbinstown Library sale.

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Ed asked that Edith Robbins be sent a thank you note for donating newspaper articles.

Steve showed a map of the oyster beds that John Laws donated.
Meeting adjourned