

## June 25, 2024 Springfield Historical Society Board of Directors Minutes

The Springfield Historical Society Board of Directors meeting took place on June 25, 2024 at 4:40 p.m. at the home of Jim Bednar. Board Members present: Jim Bednar, Angela MacCreighton, Alison Patten, Pixie Hill and Gregory Bruss.

Gregory Bruss moved to approve the May meeting minutes, Angela seconded, approved unanimously.

Angela MacCreighton presented the treasurer's report. After the bricks have been paid for, the fund balance for the various accounts is \$52,994.38. Angela recommended that the money from the brick fundraiser be moved into the scholarship fund and then invest it in a 6-month CD. Jim moved to follow this advice, Gregory seconded, passed unanimously. Angela will handle the transactions.

A review of recent events took place. Jim was wondering why there were 3 scholarship winners that were no shows. One person was out of the country, one person was traveling and one person never responded as to why they could not make it. The Volunteer Organizations Fair on June 22 was not well attended by the community. The 9 organizations that did participate all interacted with one another and the organizations all felt it was a worthwhile endeavor. It had to be held in the Meeting House due to inclement weather.

Regarding upcoming events, it was decided that the Historical Society would not have a table at the Summer Celebration on July 13. Also discussed was the location of the Forever Locked Moose display. It would be nice to have it parked at the museum but Pixie said that if the Meeting House was not being utilized for any of the festivities, it would be hard to get people to go over to see the display and that would not make the investment worthwhile. Pixie suggested the grass across from Deb Midgett's house and put the Historical Society banner on it to make people aware of the involvement of the HS.

The pulled pork lunch on July 20, when the Veterans are filmed was discussed. The lunch should be free to all Springfield Veterans with a \$10 charge for other community members. Poul Heilmann will check to see what we have charged in the past for the pulled pork lunch and the price will be determined accordingly.

Gregory is prepping for the event at Wonderwell on July 27. The focus will be on summer homes from the Washington DC contingent, not just the history of Wonderwell. Bring your own food, blanket or lawn chairs. Tours will be given.

A lecture co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library will take place on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. featuring speaker Mary Kronnenwetter, who has prepared a lecture on NH Naturalist Ernest Baynes. Cost to the historical society is \$75.

Emily Cleaveland offered to open her beautiful Dahlia gardens to the Historical Society as a fundraiser, to take place in August. The board voted to pass on the offer for the 2024 event calendar. The board appreciated the offer and will consider it next year if the offer is still made. Emily would have provided the tours, the H.S. would have provided refreshments and been responsible for ticket sales etc.

Jim continues to work on the reference book for the brick sales. He feels he needs to clarify the instructions so people understand what it is the H.S. is looking for.

Jim was pleased to announce that the railings on the granite steps leading from the museum to the meeting house has been completed. Tim Hayes and Cody Osgood from the highway dept. were able to complete the project and it looks wonderful.

The next Historical Society Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 9, 4:40 p.m. at the Bednar Residence.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Pixie Hill  
VP and Secretary of the Springfield Historical Society