

July 8, 2025 Springfield Historical Society Meeting Minutes

The Springfield Historical Society Board met on Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at the home of Jim Bednar. The meeting commenced at 4:10 pm with the following board members present: Jim Bednar, Gregory Bruss, Angela MacCreighton, Alison Patten, Pixie Hill and Nyla Waddell.

Angela motioned to accept the June meeting minutes, Jim seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

Angela gave a treasurer's report stating that we have \$57,167.46 total to date in all of the accounts.

The board reviewed the recent events. The June 14th Civil War talk presented by Sharon Wood was well received with a number of new people attending from outside the community. The bake sale, hotdog and root beer floats on July 5th was a huge success. All 40 hotdogs sold quickly, the root beer floats were in demand and the bake sale was a success. The event grossed \$752.

Jim reported that the cataloging project is continuing and thanks to the efforts of Cylyn Reviczky, Cune Bednar and Deb Hildebrand things are progressing. On Friday, Aug. 1, 2025, there will be a half day of training by the company who did the training in May to cover additional material that wasn't covered before.

Alison Patten stated that she would be going to Harrington Jewelers in Newport and would try to purchase the plaque needed for Scholarship Awards. Pixie motioned to approve \$250 for the plaque, Greg seconded and it was unanimously approved.

Upcoming events were briefly discussed. July 19, 2025 will be the Ramble Round the Lake. Missy Patten and Pixie Hill will set up signs and water for the race. 3 Scholarship recipients will be volunteering to help with the event. The Forever Locked Moose will be on display for Old Home Day. On Saturday, Aug. 2, Mary Kronenwetter will be doing her presentation on Corbin Park at the Meeting House. On Aug. 27, Dan Hildebrand and Gregory Bruss will be giving a talk on Native Americans to be held at Wonderwell.

On August 7, 2025, Jim and Greg will be traveling to Bellows Falls, Vt to have the antique map assessed by Works on Paper and hopefully receive a quote on the cost of restoring it. Pixie suggested that we do a fund drive to restore the map and maybe help with the cost of restoring some of the headstones at the cemetery.

A newsletter should be produced and mailed by mid-August so the announcement of the annual meeting can be included. 3 advertisements were run for the Bake Sale, Ramble Around the Lake and the August events.

Alison reported that John Hammond, blacksmith has been to the historical society and inspected the shed for construction of the rain gutter system. He will be forging the brackets at the Cornish Fair as a demonstration and we should have them in our possession by the end of the summer.

The meeting adjourned at 5 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 5 at 4:10 pm. at Jim Bednar's house.

Respectfully submitted,

Pixie Hill, SHS secretary