

CANAAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2024

Sally Masson, Dennis Fuller, Harland Crawford, Diana Rancourt, Georgiana Carr, Monique Petrofsky, Jack Provencher, Nancy Petro and Maddie Devost (guest) were present for the February 9, 2024 meeting held at the Alice Ward Memorial Library.

1. Dennis Fuller called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.
2. Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve minutes of the December 15, 2023 meeting.
3. Additions/deletions to agenda – None
4. Sally Masson presented the Treasurer's report which was approved and placed on file.
5. A recent Tillotson North Country Foundation grant for \$20,000 was approved for the Pioneer Trail Project in the Beecher Falls Park.
6. Cheryl Cote donated \$195.00 proceeds from a pitch tournament held on February 3rd to the Society. Everyone signed a Thank You card.
7. Consolidated Telephone Company disconnected by company because of financial mistake on their part. A motion by Diana and seconded by Sally all in favor to install a cellular like phone from Matt Jordan at Lazer Works for less money.
8. Discussion on applying for Northern Borders Grant commission that would possibly purchase a building for the Society; Thibeault Real Estate building and Rob McComiskey house talked about. Also, different grants for engineering and hiring grant writing people.
9. The 990 N E-postcard for 2023 was e-filed and confirmed to keep our 501c IRS tax rating up to date.
10. A motion by Sally and seconded by Nancy all in favor to advertise the museum in the Moosely Information booklet with a \$25.00 fee to the Kiwanis Club in Colebrook.
11. Discussion on fundraising ideas looking for benefactors to support us. Discussion about some of our investments that are not doing as well as expected.
12. Possibly apply for AARP and DASH grants for plaques denoting historic places in Town estimates at \$2500 per plaque.
13. Other business: Notice of Robert Lee's donation of Bea Holmes garden to the Town of Canaan. Specifically, to the Alice Ward Memorial Library. It will be a warned article at Town Meeting. Garden could be a large expense to maintain.
14. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.

Submitted by:

Harland Crawford