

CANAAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEETING MINUTES

November 15, 2019

Dennis Fuller, Nancy Petro, Gana Carr, Monique Petrofsky, Sally Masson, Connie Provencher, Jack Provencher, Harland Crawford, Jim Bower and Walter Noyes were present for the November 15, 2019 meeting held at the Alice M. Ward 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 October 18, 2019 meeting.
3. Additions/deletions to agenda – None
4. Connie Provencher presented the Treasurer's report which was approved and placed on file.
- 5&6. Bylaws: To finalize officer selections, Gana Carr was named co-chairman to fill in if Dennis Fuller is absent.
7. Report on Volunteer Fair – It was poorly attended. It did provide networking opportunity for the vendors. Many comments were made by those who looked at our photo albums on display. Thanks to Gana Carr and Diana Rancourt for manning our display.
8. Seeking the Source – is a one-hour movie about life in the North Country. It was shown at the Tillotson Center in Colebrook. Dennis Fuller attended. He would like to obtain a copy of the film for our collection.
9. Wassail Party – The Wassail Party will be held immediately following the December 20, 2019 meeting at 3 pm at the library. Gana Carr will make the Wassail and everyone else is to bring snacks.
10. Copies of the 2020 schedule of meetings were passed out.
11. Other business – Dennis Fuller has asked Librarian Sharon Ellingwood White about having full use of the Carriage House. This will be decided later. We are still receiving donations from Bob Lee of Bea Holmes items. It was discussed to offer Bob Lee a tax credit for his generosity. Monique is going to try to find estimates for the items we acquired from Bob Lee so we can give him a fair tax credit. We are to have Steve Ellis look at the items and appraise them. Discussion was held on how to do a new membership drive and how to solicit donations. Suggestions include a mention on our Facebook page for "support" for our website. A newsletter was mentioned. Maybe quarterly when the town sends out the one for Canaan or at Christmas. To save postage, it was suggested we could do it by email. If we get new lifetime members, it was suggested they receive a welcome gift of a hat or video. The map of Canaan and Canaan Hill drawn by Bea Holmes in 1915 has been taken to Photo Factory in Littleton to be preserved and framed. The map was a Bob Lee donation. Walter Noyes mentioned if we want a different building for our collections and meetings, we should start to work on that. Possibly a Building Committee to come up with a plan. No action taken at this time.
12. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:08 pm.

Submitted by: Nancy Petro