

Lee Historical Society Meeting Minutes February 2, 2021

In attendance: Scott, Jan, Charlotte, Katrin, pat, Laura H and Laura G

- 1) Jan led meeting – Decided to complete what business could be done in Phyllis’ absence.
Save long-term decisions until she could attend. Board expressed concern for Phyllis and Sid
- 2) MINUTES: 01-5-2021 Zoom – approved
- 3) TREASURER’S REPORT – No report this month
 - a) new members:
 - i) Kiyoshi Imai
 - ii) Linda Schier
- 4) EVENTS: Winter Programs
 - a) Upcoming
 - i) February 3 at 7:00 Zoom, presenter Carrie Brown. Rosie’s Mom; Forgotten Women of the First World War
 - ii) March 3 at 7:00 Zoom, presenter Liz Tentarelli Votes for Women: A History of the Suffrage Movement
 - b) January program – about 15 in attendance – only 4 evaluations submitted
- 5) ANNEX – Jan reported on status of move – contributions of Andre Huppe
- 6) MUSEUM: Jan’s reported on progress and plans for museum
 - a) Progress report and plans
 - i) Cleaning in progress
 - ii) Rearranged welcome table near gift shop
 - iii) Plans for History of organization exhibit
 - iv) Plans to move and update native American exhibit
 - v) Back wall – Harvesting the Land – History through agriculture
 - vi) Move Railroad and update pictures
 - vii) Rotating exhibit – People and planner of Lee
 - viii) Discussion of second floor – Tabled until next meeting
 - b) Needs
 - i) Children’s desks, tables
 - ii) Improved lighting – need to contact Bill Stevens
- 7) Plumer diaries: transcribing in process (Patricia and Charlotte)
- 8) FUNDRAISING:
 - a) Katrin’s spring bulb sales

- i) Laura H. will assist in publicity
- b) Discussion of long-term goals and opportunities
 - i) Tabled for next meeting

9) SOCIAL MEDIA UP-DATE AND WEB SITE

- a) Website
 - i) Changes to membership application – enhanced access to email
 - ii) Discussion of enhanced donation process – tabled
- b) Facebook
 - i) Scott’s recent aerial view contest – good response
 - ii) Discussed need to publicize historical buildings –
 - (1) Will add section to web –
 - (a) Scott shared document on building and their histories
 - (b) Will check State Preservation Society website
 - (2) Will continue to promote on Facebook

10) 9. LHS MAIL DELIVERY

- a) Jan will check on obtaining mailbox from town hall, placing next to library

11) OTHER BUSINESS:

- a) Laura G. reported on cellar hole on Kyoshi’s property on Fox Garrison – proposed future walk through
- b) Phyllis’ book update: images & copyright permissions – Sent via email
 - i) Pond Hill School, the one Scott found in April with an extended family standing in front – Copyright permission needed
 - ii) Astrida Schaeffer - paid Astrid Schaeffer for clothing dating. Estimated 1880’s with probably 1886! This would have been just before some of the one-room schools were auctioned off.
 - iii) Walnut Grove –Historical New England Archives has reconnected with Phyllis and has started the work order. Phyllis will receive Frank O. Spinney’s 1942 picture of the school, which will be used instead of the 1960’s picture.
 - iv) Tri-Town Transcript-Town Transcript copyright permissions: Does anyone know Paul “Buzz” Dietterle III the former editor of the paper?
 - v) Lee in Four Centuries Who has the pictures on file to release permission to use images? LHS? Heritage Commission

12) Next meeting: March 2

- a) Jan will consult Phyllis regarding need for interim meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Mandell