

Greater Dover Historical Society

May 20, 2010

The regular meeting of the Greater Dover Historical Society was called to order by President Madelyn Shermeyer at 7:01 p.m. at the Calvary Lutheran Church. Members present were the following: Lori Koch, Jeff Koch, Madelyn Shermeyer, Jo Ott, Judy & Randy Worley, Bill & Chris Coleman, Ted Ziegler, Kay Stitley, Zita Smith, Lois Slothower, Mel Miller, Carol Leathery and Ron Botterbusch. The members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Shermeyer presented the April 2010 minutes and asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Judy Worley and seconded by Jot Ott. All voted in favor and motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report for April 2010 was presented by Bill Coleman. There was a motion by Jeff Koch to approve the treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Mel Miller. All voted in favor and motion passed. President Shermeyer asked a question regarding the expense entry for the Wertz membership refund. It was stated that Jo Ott had paid cash for Danny Wertz and his son's membership at the Dover Fair. Mrs. Wertz dropped off a family membership check at Botterbusch's Jewelry store several weeks ago. President Shermeyer asked the BOD for their opinion concerning reimbursement of dues. Therefore, a \$15 refund is due for overpayment and the treasurer was instructed to reimburse Jo Ott since she paid the original membership dues for Wertz.

Assistant Archivist report – Gayle Heagy was absent; no report.

Webpage report – no report

Historian report – no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bloodroot – no report

Adopt-a-Highway – Melanie Green was absent; no report.

Landscaping Committee – Lucia Hrinyak was absent. Randy Worley reported that the storage shed and ramp were power-washed, a coating of CWF preservative was put onto the ramp, fertilizer was spread in the garden along with some weed killer, the roses were sprayed for mites, and some holes were filled in with rocks.

Board of Directors' report – no report.

OLD BUSINESS

Website email -- President Shermeyer reported the issue with the email address on the website has been corrected. The main page of our website lists the GDHS email address as Doverhistory@gdhspa.org. Messages that were sent to this email were not deliverable since our server was changed. President Shermeyer worked with Brett Pfeiger and now any emails sent to this address will automatically go to President Shermeyer's home email so she can respond accordingly. In addition, President Shermeyer reported the billing for the website has been changed to her credit card and can be submitted to the treasurer for reimbursement if she so desires. Brett Pfeiger has been reimbursed for the website fees he paid.

990 Form – There was an article in the newspaper this week detailing the IRS filing requirements for non-profits who report revenues under \$25K. President Shermeyer reported the 990-N E-postcard for the GDHS was filed with the IRS and a confirmation receipt was received.

NEW BUSINESS

Speakers – President Shermeyer reported that Don Baughman will be our speaker in June, and she urged the members to get the word out and invite the public to attend. We will also advertise it in the newspapers. Mr. Baughman will be making a 30-minute power point presentation on the history of Baughman Memorials.

President Shermeyer reported that we will be handling the concessions at the Township Fall Fest again this year on Saturday, October 2, 2010 from 11am to 4pm. President Shermeyer had contacted the volunteers from last year via email asking if they were interested in doing it this year – all responded yes. President Shermeyer had a list of all items each volunteer provided and will distribute to each person if they plan to help again this year. Lori Koch suggested a Fall Fest committee meeting be held to discuss plans for this year. President Shermeyer agreed and stated the committee should meet closer to the time of the Fall Fest. The soda and water will be supplied by the Township, and the GDHS will pay the Township for what is sold.

By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation – President Shermeyer reported that our By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation need to be updated to change the contact person from Susan Forrey to a current member. The President and Secretary will work together on these updates. There is a \$70 filing fee with the Department of State.

President Shermeyer reported that Larry Law and Harry Shermeyer are working to make new wire mesh to put into the rafters at the Blacksmith Shop to keep out unwanted critters like chipmunks and squirrels. Jeff Koch will help install it with Larry since Harry will be unable to help due to his eye surgery.

President Shermeyer reported that Jo Ott has been handling the Blacksmith Shop open houses, and Jo would like to step aside in 2011 to allow another member to volunteer. President Shermeyer asked the membership to think about having 2 volunteers who could share the duties every other month for the open houses.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Jo Ott asked President Shermeyer if a decision was made regarding the pie safe which is being offered as a donation to the Society by Joan Bosserman. The pie safe is fairly large with punched tin doors and is stored in a garage at Smittie's Soft Pretzels. Joan received this pie safe about 25 years ago from a gentleman who was an antique dealer. Jo had sent an email to President Shermeyer and Gayle Heagy asking if the Society would be interested in accepting it. President Shermeyer will contact Gayle to discuss it.

There being no further questions or suggestions from the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Koch, GDHS secretary