

Greater Dover Historical Society
November 17, 2011

The regular meeting of the Greater Dover Historical Society was called to order by President Madelyn Shermeyer at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church in Dover. Members present were the following: Lori Koch, Zita Smith, Chris & Bill Coleman, Kay Stitley, Judy & Randy Worley, Madelyn & Harry Shermeyer, Lois Slothower, Jo Ott, Norma Botterbusch, Connie Miller, Lucia Hrinyak, Shirley Weaver, Melanie Green, Gayle Heagy and Cindy Snyder. The members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Shermeyer presented the October 2011 minutes for approval and asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Cindy Snyder and seconded by Chris Coleman. All voted in favor and motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report for October 2011 was presented. There was a motion by Cindy Snyder to approve the treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Harry Shermeyer. All voted in favor and motion passed. Bill Coleman reported that a copy of the budget is provided in the packet for members to review.

Assistant Archivist report – Gayle Heagy reported she received a copy of the Dover Reporter newspaper.

Historian report – no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landscaping Committee – Lucia Hrinyak reported 3 members of the committee met on October 21 for approximately one hour to put the garden to bed for the winter. They will revisit the garden in the spring.

Board of Directors – no report

Adopt-a-Highway – Melanie Green reported a final litter pick-up was held the first Saturday in November. One half of the roadway was done since only 2 members were available to help; 4 bags of trash were collected.

OLD BUSINESS

President Shermeyer reminded members that our guest speaker for the January 2012 meeting will be Scott Mingus. She will follow-up with Don Keener concerning the Civil War Roundtable.

President Shermeyer reported on follow-up information concerning the old trolley at Brookside Park. Eli Nikkanen had brought the issue up at a meeting last summer and President Shermeyer stated records on file only show 2 trolleys were in Dover; one had been donated to the Agriculture and Industrial Museum in York. It was reported that Meryl Bolton had a trolley at Family Tree. Gayle Heagy stated there had been an old trolley car near Strinestown for many years.

Grant funds – President Shermeyer reported on the return of unspent funds from the DCED grant. The GDHS previously returned \$378.91 in unspent funds and the DCED sent correspondence seeking additional receipts and invoice verification of funds spent. Bill Coleman spent many hours gathering the information required by the DCED in order to finally closeout the grant. The GDHS will be required to pay back an additional \$259.83; a motion was made by Lori Koch and seconded by Chris Coleman to authorize the treasurer to remit a check for \$259.83. All voted in favor and motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

President Shermeyer reported all appointed Executive Staff have agreed to serve again in 2012 – Gayle Heagy, Assistant Archivist, Lucia Hrinjak, editor and Jo Ott, photographer.

Member Picnic – President Shermeyer asked the membership whether we plan to hold our picnic in September at Brookside Park. Randy Worley made a motion to do so and the membership agreed to it by consensus. President Shermeyer will reserve the building at Brookside.

President Shermeyer reported that new air conditioning will be installed at the Log Cabin and asked the membership if we want to hold our July meeting there. All members present agreed. President Shermeyer will reserve the Log Cabin for July.

Members were reminded to submit their volunteer hours to Bill Coleman.

Election of Officers – President Shermeyer distributed ballots to all the members. Tabulators appointed were Randy Worley, Jo Ott and Lucia Hrinjak. President Shermeyer asked Gayle Heagy to open nominations from the floor. Nominations are as follows:

President – Madelyn Shermeyer – nominated by Jo Ott & Gayle Heagy

Vice President – none

Secretary – none

Treasurer – none

Board of Directors – Cindy Snyder – nominated by Madelyn Shermeyer

Marty Green – nominated by Lois Slothower

Ballots were cast and tabulated. The final results were presented by Lucia Hrinjak as follows:

President – Madelyn Shermeyer

Vice President – Kay Stitley

Secretary – Lori Koch

Treasurer – Bill Coleman

Board of Directors – Melanie Green, Cindy Snyder

President Shermeyer reported she did an inventory of the Blood Root books and BSS replicas. An inventory of the trash bags will be done soon, since there are trash bags at the BSS, at Botterbuschs and in the storage shed. President Shermeyer and Bill Coleman will verify the current inventory and sales records kept by the Treasurer are in sync. Randy Worley stated he would like to purchase a case of trash bags which cost \$30.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Bill Coleman reported a thank you letter was sent to the Graham Foundation for their donation. President Shermeyer reported the Hoffmans will take back the road grader which had been stored on her property.

There being no further questions or suggestions from the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Koch
GDHS secretary