

MINUTES OF THE MEETING - EMILY KNAPP MUSEUM
August 24 2016
Village Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Alicia Kerfoot, Sue Savard, Sarah Ceden, Bill Andrews, Norm Knapp, Chris McCabe, Karen Owens.

Those present welcomed our new member Chris McCabe to our board.

Motion made by Sarah and seconded by Norm to accept the July 28, 2016 minutes. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ✓ **Deaccession List:** Discussion followed regarding our newest additions to the Museum's deaccession list, primarily consisting of many duplicate copies of the Mary Jane Holmes books. It was suggested that before books are sold, we first offer extra copies to the Seymour Library, to the college, and to the Morgan Manning House. Sarah will contact Carl at the library and Charlie Cowling at the college. Sue offered to contact Kathy Goetz at Morgan Manning House. Sarah made a motion to accept the list and Norm seconded after acting upon the previous caveat for distributing the extra books. Pat will forward the list to the village trustees for their consideration.
- ✓ **Rugs:** Allan has offered to take up the issue of the purchase and installation of rugs. No new information as he was absent.
- ✓ **Foyer Painting:** Allan and Norm have begun scraping and preparing the vestibule for painting. They will continue working on it as time permits.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ **Neal Keating:** As our liaison to the college and as classes resume, he will return to our board meetings.
- ✓ **October Event:** Sue has enlisted the services of Richard Reisem to present a talk on October 7 in the village courtroom on the subject of Myron Holley's importance in the establishment of the Erie Canal and Holley's connection to James Seymour. Sarah will prepare a press announcement and an invitation to be E-mailed or mailed to our contact list.
- ✓ **Night At The Museum:** Sarah and Alicia spent the night of August 16 at the museum researching the genealogy of the Seymour family and hoping to verify the presence of a ghost in the house. Although strange tapping occurred, they were unsuccessful in spotting a ghost!
- ✓ **WWI Plaque:** The museum has in its collection a WWI plaque listing Brockport's veterans. As near as can be determined, the plaque was donated in 1920 and displayed at the old grammar school on Utica Street. Sarah suggested that as a courtesy,

we should first ask the school if they are interested in the plaque. It was proposed that Allan contact the school.

- ✓ **New Letterhead:** A volunteer has offered to design a new logo for the museum. The board decided that some version of the Seymour house would best represent our organization. Sarah will provide the volunteer with copies of pictures of the house from which she can work.
- ✓ **Historian's Presentation:** Sarah has been approached by the Morgan Manning House to speak on the topic of the history of the museum. She is currently developing her talk.
- ✓ **Vet's Club:** The club is disposing of their collection of military uniforms. After some discussion, the board decided to look the articles over and determine if we should accept some of the pieces in order to round out our collection. If we decide to take in some of the items, Norm will have the Vet's Club president fill out a donation form.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 28, 2016

Minutes Submitted by Allan Berry, Secretary