



NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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MEETING MINUTES

July 17, 2021

Boonville, NY

The raffles took place starting at 1:10 pm, following a picnic lunch.

President Marshfield opened the meeting at 1:25 p.m. with 14 members present.

The May 16th meeting minutes were read and approved.

The year-to-date Treasurer's Report, as of June 30, 2021 were read and approved.

Meeting Schedule for 2021

August 7th, Safari in Delaware, Sullivan and Ulster Counties.

September 12th, in person meeting at Groom's Tavern in Saratoga County

November 14th annual meeting in Hamden at the Community Hall.

The Executive Board could make changes to virtual meetings if deemed necessary. The membership will be notified at least 2 weeks in advance of any change by newsletter and website.

Business:

President Marshfield offered the suggestion that we turn the generic donate key on the website to a donate key specifically for the Americana Covered Bridge. The bridge could use some financial support and the thought was that instead of a generic donate button, there could be that one that lists the specific cause with a write up and possibly a photo to enhance interest in donating. The motion was made and all approved. Wayne will contact our webhost for the change.

We have received a couple small donations through PayPal and one membership renewal. A membership paid for on PayPal is \$16.00 of which the Society nets \$15.24.

Ron Knapp has offered to enter Perrine Covered Bridge into the Path Through History weekend of October 9-11. Wayne has forwarded Ron the information on it, so he can get it registered in time for October.

The August 7th Safari in Delaware, Sullivan and Ulster Counties will be a one-day event, starting in Margaretville at the Convenience Store next to the Delaware National Bank on NYS Rt. 28, at 9:00 am. Bridges to be seen are Downsville, Hamden, Fitches, Forge, Tappan Kittle, Mill Brook, Beaverkill and Van Tran. We will also view a scenic site in Andes and spend a little time in a one-room schoolhouse in Hamden.

The event particulars will be sent to members via email and put on our website. Karen and Wayne are planning the event.

A nominating committee of three was set up with Linda S. as chair, Ruth W., and Stephanie M. They will need to come up with a slate of officers for our November annual meeting.

Linda S. spoke about the possibility of having an executive meeting at our storage facility nearby to her and go through some items to determine whether they are worth saving or not. She then offered a picnic at her house afterwards. Several officers seemed to be interested and Linda will come up with a few dates to pick from, preferably on a Saturday. This would allow us to possibly downsize our storage unit.

News of Members and Bridges:

Ron Knapp has done a very lengthy analysis of “In Search of America’s Old Covered Bridges”, and has researched the history of several covered bridges in Ulster County and has found information that appears to indicate the construction date of Perrine’s to be around 1820. Wayne informed the group that if they wanted the report he would gladly send it to them via email.

We were informed that Ron Stoffer had passed away of which he was a long time Society member. Our next newsletter will have the obituary in it.

Marcia B. asked the group if they knew anyone that needed a nice card, to let her know as she is our corresponding secretary and she would gladly send out a card.

It was nice to be back together again.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Marshfield.