

## NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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## MEETING MINUTES September 12, 2021 Rexford, NY

The meeting was opened at 1:00 pm with 8 members and one guest present.

The July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were read and approved.

The year-to-date Treasurer's Report, as of August 31, were read and approved'

## Meeting Schedule for 2021

November 14<sup>th</sup> 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 said that we have received some small donations and a couple of memberships off PayPal and our website. It is a little disappointing, but we should get some membership renewals by PayPal, even though it is one dollar more. You would save an envelope, check and postage.

It was reported that our Safari had 12 attendees and that it turned out real nice with beautiful weather. An extra treat was viewing the Erph Covered Bridge thanks to our member Karl Young. Erph is having work done on one of its abutments, but looks good otherwise. We had lunch at the Hamden Community Hall and viewed the 1850 one room schoolhouse in Hamden.

Ron Knapp has decided to cancel the previously offered Path Through History weekend of October 9-11 at Perrine's Covered Bridge, due to the pandemic.

Linda reported that the nomination committee has completed their officer recommendations for 2022 except for recording secretary. A couple people were contacted for interest in the position, but were unable at this time to entertain the position. Anyone interested should get hold of Linda.

Linda S. spoke about the archive meeting that was held at her house to sort out duplicate and unwanted information in our rented storage unit. Our long-term goal would be to digitize our existing information and eventually downsize our storage unit. Gretchen, Bob, Wayne, Linda and Victor helped out and it was appreciated by all. The National Society was contacted to see if they are interested in the out of State

information that we sorted through. Bill Caswell said he would be interested to go through the paperwork. Wayne expressed interest in one set of our Couriers for his own future references.

Members present were asked if they thought our annual meeting in Hamden should be in person or virtual and pretty much all thought in person would be good, especially if all were vaccinated. Several indicated that they would like to attend and all felt it was a big enough facility to be able to socially distance from others if it was necessary. Wayne said he would contact the executive committee for their thoughts, too.

A big thank you to Marcia for getting the key to the Groom's Tavern and getting it ready for us. Thank you for the delicious homemade ice cream and toppings and the homemade sugar donuts. It was enjoyed by all.

There was a discussion on the unfortunate loss and damage of several covered bridges in Pennsylvania due to their massive flooding conditions.

Carol spoke about John Petras's health condition and that Irma was going to try to attend our November dinner/meeting.

We collected \$62 in store sales and Wayne will get the money to Carol. Thank you all for your contributions!

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

Respectfully submitted by Karen Marshfield.