



NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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MEETING MINUTES May 22, 2022 Klyne Esopus Museum

President Marshfield opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with 9 members present.

We had welcome and introductions of members We had a 50/50 few raffle drawings that netted \$20.

April 24th meeting minutes were read and approved.

Treasurers report was read by Carol Fortin and was approved.

Meeting Schedule for 2022:

July 10: Smithville, NY Firehall – Jefferson Cty
August 6-7: Safari in Perry Cty, PA

September 11: Virtual Meeting
November 13: Annual meeting and Harvest
dinner with bake sale, Hamden, NY

*The executive committee is allowed to change the meetings to virtual if we are still dealing with Covid-19. The membership will be notified at least 2 weeks in advance by the newsletter and the website.

Business:

Website Donation Button: The Valentine Bake-less Cake Sale website donation button was removed and nothing was named in its place. The UNICEF fund for Ukrainian Children was not put on the website as only 96% of the donation would go for the help vs. 100% if directly donated to UNICEF.

The **Covered Bridge Summit** in Oxford, NY will be held June 10-12. Marshfield, Iwanow, and Converse will be attending and representing on behalf of our Society.

The **National Society for the Preservation of Covered Bridge (NSPCB) Tour** was canceled for Georgia and Alabama, September 23 – 25. A replacement tour will likely be around Lyndon, Vermont. Details will follow as President Marshfield gets them; he will relay the information to our members.

As previously reported, a new covered bridge **Cannon Covered Bridge** has been built in **Cowelsville, NY in Wyoming County**. Irving B. has investigated the progress of the project and reports that paving has been done and the roofing needs to be finished up. A discussion ensued about whether or not the bridge will be authentic. Further investigation is needed to make that determination.

Path Through History weekend is scheduled for October 8-10. Ron Knapp is interested in promoting the NYSCBS Perrine's Covered Bridge. Wayne and Linda S. will be helping on Saturday, along with Ron Knapp. The date is registered on the Path website. We will bring store items, brochures and the display board.

The Pomeroy Foundation has a grant program for the purchase and installation of **historic markers** with a limit of 5 per application. It was discussed and decided to participate for only the existing covered bridges and maybe another year for bridges of the past. Perrine's and Hall's Mills were recommendations with a possible 3 more. Please contact President Marshfield for the suggestions of other covered bridges in the State that need historic markers, ones that preferably do not have Path Through History markers displayed or the yellow and blue cast iron sign. Trish Kane, Wayne, Vic Iwanow and Clay Converse volunteered for a committee to work on this, preferably by Zoom.

Perry County PA, Covered Bridge Safari planning is coming along fine, with a place to stay for the event. The rooming accommodations will be at the Days Inn by Wyndham Carlisle North, 1255 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle, PA 17013 Tel. 717-243-6000. daysinn Carlisle pa@gmail.com A block of rooms have been set aside in the name of New York Covered Bridge Society at \$120 for two nights, plus taxes. Reservations are refundable up to July 15, 2022 only. They seem to have a nice breakfast, and the facility is clean, with a restaurant next door for a possible meeting and dinner. This facility is 15-20 minutes from our actual covered bridge sites.

It was reported that we **need a speaker for our September virtual meeting**. It was suggested maybe asking Ron Knapp if he would speak on our local covered bridges in and around Ulster County. President Marshfield will ask Ron to see if he is available.

News of members, Don Spraker has been in the hospital and would welcome a get-well card. Hazel Watson's Memorial service will be June 4th at 2pm in South Rutland, NY. Contact President Marshfield for contact information.

We have several 2021 World Guides available at \$15 each, without any shipping costs.

Our storage facility was discussed and there are hopes of downsizing and there is also a desire to maybe digitize future storage of records. More to come!

Klyne Esopus Museum was a great meeting place and very accommodating and informative. Thank you.

Being no other business, the **meeting was adjourned** at 1:55 pm.

Submitted by Karen Marshfield
NYSCBS Recording Secretary