



# NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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## MEETING MINUTES August 6, 2022 Carlisle, Pa. and Perry County Pa.

President Marshfield opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. with 12 members present and one guest.

July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were read and approved.

Treasurers report for July was read by President Marshfield and was approved.

### Meeting Schedule for remainder of 2022:

September 11, Virtual Meeting with Ron Knapp as Guest Speaker

November 13, Dinner/Meeting/Card Exchange/Bake Sale in Hamden

### Business:

The **Covered Bridge Summit** in Oxford, NY generally indicated that attracting younger members to our in-person meetings was unlikely to happen. The future may hold for more virtual meetings in hopes of attracting them to our Society meetings and agendas.

The **National Society for the Preservation of Covered Bridge (NSPCB) Tour** will be a one-day event in Lyndon, Vermont this year in September in conjunction with the Lyndon Planning Board. The National Society has developed a nice Introductory Guide to Covered Bridges of which Supervisor Marshfield displayed a draft copy. It would a great document for most members new and old.

**Path Through History weekend** is scheduled for October 8-10. The Society is interested in promoting the NYSCBS through Perrine's Covered Bridge and Wayne, Linda and Ron Knapp will be attending the event on that Saturday. 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 applications per year. Trish Kane, Wayne, Vic Iwanow and Clay Converse are working as a committee to gather an inventory of the current status of the signage at our historic bridges. That information has been gathered on Hamden, Fitch's, Downsville, Van Tran, Beaverkill, Hall's Mills, and Mill Brook. We need pictures of all the markers yet on Jay, Buskirk, Salisbury Center, Rexleigh, Eagleville, Newfield and Shushan.

**A nominations committee** needs to be set up this month, and L. Schott offered to chair the committee once again. President Marshfield will attempt to get a couple others to set on the committee. Anyone interested in an executive board position in the Society please contact Linda Schott or Wayne.

The Hazel Watson collection was discussed and it was resolved that we aren't interested in the dishes, glasses and magnets. We are interested in old post cards, newspaper clippings and maybe some paintings. Wayne will

contact Hazel's daughter Liz and see if she can give us a little better inventory and times that we can meet halfway to transfer the items.

President Marshfield reported on Karen and his power point presentation at the Delhi Historical Association and the remarkable turnout of 45 people in attendance and all really liked the presentation.

President Marshfield read a letter he recently composed to the Ulster County Planning Department in support of an application they propose to the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for the repair of Perrine's Covered Bridge. The membership thought it was a very good letter.

A special thanks was given to Gretchen and Bob Bronke for planning our Perry County Safari which appears to be very successful with beautiful weather and beautiful covered bridges. We had a nice catered buffet dinner before our meeting from the Familia Restaurant which was next to the motel.

### **News of Members and Bridges:**

There was a special bit of excitement when we found that the Waggoner's Covered Bridge is being rebuilt after the devastating fire!

Being no other business, the **meeting was adjourned** at 7:55 pm.

Submitted by Karen Marshfield  
NYSCBS Recording Secretary