



NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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MEETING MINUTES September 11, 2022 Virtual Meeting

President Marshfield opened the meeting at 1:02 p.m. with 14 members present.

August 6th meeting minutes were read by Karen Marshfield and approved.

Treasurers report for August was read by Carol Fortin and was approved.

Meeting Schedule for remainder of 2022:

November 13, Dinner/Meeting/Card Exchange/Bake Sale in Hamden - \$15 per person and reservations need to be in by October 30th. Send payment to Karen Marshfield

Business:

The **National Society for the Preservation of Covered Bridge (NSPCB) Tour** will be a one-day event in Lyndon, Vermont this year September 24th in conjunction with the Lyndon Planning Board.

The National Society has developed a nice **Introductory Guide to Covered Bridges** of which our Society was sent 100 copies. It would be a great document for most members new and old. It covers among many things, glossary of terms, truss types, numbering system, and Covered Bridge Societies contact information. A link has been put on our website for uploading and printing. The guides will be available at our dinner/meeting in November.

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. Victor indicated he may be able to get four of these mentioned above. Clay thought he could get the pictures on Newfield.

A nominations committee chair person L. Schott needs a couple of others to help her perform the nominations for 2023. Anyone interested in setting on the committee let Linda or Wayne know. We are especially interested in filling the Secretary and a Trustee position.

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. On October 7th the same presentation will be done to the Walton retired teachers' group.

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 **2022 Perry County Pa. Safari** was reported on by President Marshfield. Of special delight was the rebuild of the Waggoner's Mill Covered Bridge which had burned in 2021. Pictures before and after were shown along with a half dozen pictures of other bridges and safari participants. 12 members and one guest participated in the delightful event.

President Marshfield encouraged the meeting attendees to donate to the **Theodore Burr Covered Bridge Resource Center** in Oxford. Donate buttons have been put on the website for easy use. This would help to pay for an intern for the resource center.

News of Members and Bridges:

Camille reported that Anita and Bill Baldwin could use notes of encouragement and a get well for Bill who has had a constant battle this year with his health issues.

Victor wondered if anyone had been to the Americana Covered Bridge to report on its condition and no one responded that they had been there recently.

Being no other business, the **meeting was adjourned** at 1:50 pm.

The meeting was turned over to member and author Ron Knapp for his presentation on "Walkill Covered Bridges: Then and Now". A delightful and informative presentation was given, thank you Ron!

Thank you, Clay, for setting up this virtual meeting!

Submitted by Karen Marshfield
NYSCBS Recording Secretary