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MEETING MINUTES April 16, 2023 Spaghetti Warehouse, Syracuse, NY

President Marshfield opened the meeting at 12:55 p.m. with 18 members and 3 guests present.

We had welcome and introductions of members and guests, noting that 3 members were unable to make the dinner/meeting for various reasons. We had a 50/50 drawing and raffles netting \$151.25.

November 11, 2022 annual meeting minutes were read by Karen and approved with a motion by Camille and second by Chris F.

Treasurers Year to Date Report was read by Carol and was approved with a motion by Linda W. and second by Irving.

2023 Proposed Meetings

June 11: Canal Town Museum – Canastota – <u>2 pm</u> meeting July 9: Cowelsville Fire Department Wyoming Co. – Cannon Covered Bridge – 1 pm August -12 and 13: Safari, Columbia County, PA September 10: Virtual Meeting – 1 pm November 12: Annual Meeting, Christmas Card Exchange/Bake Sale, Hamden – 1 pm

2023 Officers:

Wayne Marshfield – President Clay Converse – 1st Vice President Victor Iwanow – 2nd Vice President Carol Fortin – Treasurer Recording Secretary – Karen Marshfield Corresponding Secretary – Marcia Bailey

Trustees:

Camille Bach (2019 – 2023) Karen Marshfield (2021 – 2024) Linda Schott (2021 – 2025) Marcia Bailey (2022 – 2026) Irving Brown (2023 – 2027)

Appointed Positions:

Historian: Trish Kane and Gary Beckstead Newsletter/Courier Editor: Karen Marshfield Storekeeper: Linda Schott

Business:

- September Virtual Meeting speaker is needed.
- Brochure update will add Cannon Covered Bridge to it Quoted by Decker Advertising at \$606.51 for 2,500 brochures. Approved with a motion by Linda I. and second by Ron M. Wayne will order on Monday and they should be made up in the next few weeks.
- Susan Swanek is doing a marvelous job in setting up our September safari in Columbia County Pa. She has 10 bridges for Saturday, rest stops and lunch breaks. We will have a monthly meeting at the Motel 6 and the room pricing is \$75 per night. There will be a July 28th cutoff date for room cancellations. Susan is working on the Sunday criteria and her and her sister are having a great time in the planning of the safari!
- It was decided to leave the donate button on the website for the Oxford Resource Center.
- We tossed around a few ideas on fundraising, more to come. Linda I. will order some zipper pull chains with our logo and sell them for \$9.00 each. This purchase was approved with a motion by Linda S. and second by Irving. These will be sold in our store and on our website.
- Newsletter deadline for articles March, July and December
- We spoke about interest in our Path through History weekends this year and they will either be in July or October 7-9, we can do one or both. There were no suggestions on which bridge to sponsor yet this year, more to come, but the October time was the preferred date.
- We spoke about the November dinner/annual meeting in Hamden. The collection procedure will be the same and all receipts will go through our treasurer as they did

last year, and Karen and Wayne will bill the Society for expenses as a total sum. The planned pricing for dinner again this year will be \$15 per person. This procedure was approved with a motion by Clay and second by Camille.

- Historic signage at our bridges. Pomeroy Foundation Three applications have been made out for Fitch's, Hamden and Downsville. We need photos, and signed application by the owner, (Delaware County). The highway commissioner to whom Wayne was dealing with has retired and a new one was appointed. Have to restart the process over and see if the new commissioner is in agreement with the proposed signage?
- Karen and Wayne will be doing a power point presentation on New York Covered Bridges for Trout Unlimited in Oneonta – May 8th, at 7 pm.
- Linda S. spoke about phasing out our old storage locker at \$188 per month to a smaller unit, closer to her residence for \$90 per month. This was approved with a motion by Clay C. and second by Linda S.
- We also spoke about what to do with an abundance of out of state covered bridge post cards that we have inherited? It is planned to sort them by state and put them for sale on our website.
- News of members and bridges We spoke about Marcia and her health issues and some of the older members like Carol and Dave who are unable to make the long trek to our meetings.
- National Safari 2023 is September 22-25 in northern Vermont. Karen and Wayne are signed up for it.

Adjournment was at 1:45 pm with a motion by Ron M. and second by Anita B.

Submitted by Karen Marshfield NYSCBS Recording Secretary