



NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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MEETING MINUTES June 11, 2023 Canal Museum, Canastota

President Marshfield opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. with 7 members and 2 guests present.

The April 16th meeting minutes were read by Karen and approved.

Treasurers Year to Date Report was read by Karen and was approved.

2023 Remaining Meetings

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

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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:

- Greg and Judy Hubert from Maryland presented to the society his grandfather's collection of covered bridge pictures, descriptions, etc. It is all nicely documented and organized. His grandfather, Harley A. Williams loved covered bridges and had moved from Pennsylvania to the Hancock, NY area in 1900 and he passed away in 1957. This was a great gift to the Society and will be shared and cherished.
- September Virtual Meeting speaker is still needed and suggestions are welcome.
- New Brochures have been made and we now have 2,500 of them. Some were passed out to all.
- Susan Swanek is doing a marvelous job in setting up our September safari in Columbia County Pa. She has 12 bridges for Saturday, 10 on Sunday along with 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. Karen and Wayne went down on June 5th and stayed at the motel and went through the routes with Susan. Things are pretty well set for the safari.
- It was resolved to send Susan Swanek \$100 for use for gas or whatever, for the reimbursement of planning expenses for the safari.
- We will have a speaker at our Cannon Covered Bridge Meeting in July – LaBella Engineering.
- Newsletter deadline for articles – March, July and December
- We spoke about interest in our Path through History weekends this year for October 7-9. Still no suggestions on the bridge of choice for us to sponsor this year.
- Karen and Wayne will be doing a power point presentation on New York Covered Bridges for Trout Unlimited in Oneonta – June 12th, at 7 pm. The one in May was rescheduled to this day.
- News of members and bridges – We spoke about members with health issues. Marcia and Linda S. are dealing with health issues, Vic spoke about his visit to Americana Covered Bridge and it's deteriorating condition. It is unknown how to contact the owner or owners of the bridge. The roofing protection has been

removed and now the bridge is susceptible to the elements. This nice little picturesque Warren truss bridge will no longer be if something isn't done by the owners.

- National Safari 2023 is September 22-25 in northern Vermont. Karen and Wayne are signed up for it.

Adjournment was at 3:00 pm.

A nice tour of the Canal Museum was had by all and enjoyed. Thank you, Camille, for helping us out and organizing!

Submitted by Karen Marshfield
NYSCBS Recording Secretary