

New York State Covered Bridge Society
Virtual Meeting
September 14, 2025

President Marshfield called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm, with 14 members present.

The July 20 meeting minutes were read by Karen and approved

The August treasurers report was presented by Treasurer Carol and approved.

Business:

1. Amendments to the Bylaws:

Article V – Meetings

Section 1 – *Society meetings shall be held on the second Sunday of the month. Any other date to be approved by the Governing Board and **not less than six meetings per year**. One of these meeting may be a Safari.*

Change to not less than four meetings per year

2. August Safari – lots of fun and fellowship for 40 people from 8 different states, with beautiful weather. We viewed 15 different bridges in Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Great event for a joint NYSCBS and NSPCB safari.
3. October 11 Hyde Hall bicentennial celebration. Lots of events; 3 different covered bridge presenters (Ron Knapp, Jan Lewandosky and Andy Rebman) Horse and buggy rides, food vendors, face painting, lots of vendors (all 6 covered bridge societies), model covered bridge, music, classic cars, and much more.
4. Eagleville Covered Bridge roof very bad and flooring was coming loose. President Marshfield was notified by local residents and immediately notified the Town Supervisor and the Washington County Commissioner of Public Works. Supervisor Clary did respond but no response was received from Commissioner Donahue. The floor boards have since been repaired and we will continue to monitor the bridge roof.

5. All officers have responded positively towards serving for the 2026 term. The only one not resolved was the untimely resignation of Trustee Camille Bach. She is dealing with serious health issues and has moved. Clay Converse expressed interest in filling that unexpired term.
6. We have Hyde Hall and NYSCBS mugs for sale at \$10 each
7. If anyone has any ideas on a meeting location for 2026, let President Marshfield know.
8. Newsletter information is always welcomed. Let Karen know.
9. The annual dinner/annual meeting is on November 9 th in Hamden. Baked goods are welcomed as a fund raiser. Christmas Card Exchange will take place as well.
10. President Marshfield praised the NSPCB 2026 calendar with 2 NY Bridges in it. (Hamden and Hyde Hall)
11. Suggested an Executive virtual meeting date of November 2 at 2 pm. Succession planning will be a topic, along with meeting dates, bylaws amendments, etc.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Author Bob Dover spoke on Maryland's 6 Covered Bridges.

Thank you so much Bob!!