

CRA Meeting

April 9, 2019 @ Contacook Depot

Attendees: Steve Lux, Linda Ogden, Dave White
Fred Nystrom, Brian Erickson, Nettie Brown
Mark Wenzeler, Keith Wallace

Officers elected were Brian Erickson, Pres.
Nettie Brown, Sec (w/ Linda Ogden's help)
Steve Lux, Vice Pres., Keith Wallace, Tres.

In memoriam. Bruce Gardiner, long time member and Main Street resident recently passed away. He and his wife, Audrey (predeceased) were an active and important part of the Riverway Assn. in its early years

Membership rates are set at the annual meeting and all agreed that they should remain the same again this year.

Individuals \$20.⁰⁰, Families \$35.⁰⁰,
Businesses \$50.⁰⁰, Life Time \$300.⁰⁰

Recent new members: Kevin Day, Quebec City, Canada. Celeste Hemmingway, (Life Time) and Sue and Jim Sebold, from Concord (family).

Tarp funding donors should be provided to Steve Lux to record.

Appointment of a CRA Historian was discussed. (H. Malcolm last held the position) The duties will include being custodian of information and artifacts, review projects and safeguard all assets and

properties pertaining to the Depot. This position must be held by an active member of the C.R.A. Suggested; an archivist be appointed when time is appropriate to document all artifacts related to the C.R.A.

The MOSE Group consists of Warner Henner, and Hopkinton representatives. Keith W. made a motion to strike filling the above position at the annual meeting as it can be done at any legal meeting.

Keith W. presented the Treasurer's Report. See attached info.

New business: Spring clean up date is set for April 2019. Brian will bring equipment to move granite blocks. It was suggested the parking lot be swept, material removed, carner past be set up again, and an inventory of to-do jobs be started. Sunday is best for most people so clean-up starts at 9:00 AM.

Parking lot paving was discussed. Brian E. and David (insulation installer) can provide necessary equipment and labourers to help would be appreciated.

Coack tarp removal was discussed. Plans are yet to be finalized.

Covered Bridge Update: West side of bridge will be painted and roof repairs are to begin in a few weeks. Stone dust is needed on the NW end of bridge. A sign will be posted and the Stone bridge will have to be shut down occasionally.

and briefly for crane work to sit staying during painting. Minor roof repair will be done during the painting on the W. side of roof. East side will be done in a few years. Fights will also be replaced and repaired as needed.

A question presented: How long does the fire retardent material last?

Old business: It's been decided that 4th of July will again be held at Houston Field. Cai Hoffe is willing to bring his caboose on that day if possible.

Visitor Center Volunteers are still needed. All agreed that Paul Sanky (Fri) and June Wallace (Sun) have been dedicated hosts and a \$50. gift card and "Thank you" should be sent to both.

Signal Mast update: Jon Reen will be contacted as soon as granite pieces are moved and he can get his equipment close enough to remove the rotted mast.

The Hopkinton Historical Society's Theme for summer 2019 involves the rail road during the 1905-10 period. Additional information, photos, etc. are being sought by the Society.

The Pie Tour is scheduled for Oct. 4 & 5. Hopefully, about a dozen local merchants will participate. "Pie Passes" can be purchased and a map so people can go to shops, etc. and get "pie samples".

The Train Show 2019 update. Brochures printed as mailers would draw attention

to this event. Perhaps a fund raises
also. The activities will be at H.H.S.
as well as an open house at the Depot
At H.H.S. we still need vendors and
tables. H.H.S. has 12 region 15 and Church
has 12 we can borrow. Two members
plan to attend the Sutton Middle School
on April 14th to distribute flyers. The
tables can be picked up Fri. May 3rd
(need duct tape and magic marker)
Surrel Peasley will do a concession truck
outside at H.H.S.

Mark W. has a donation from Ginny Haines
for the white elephant table.

Other new business: N.H. Preservation
Alliance would like us to become
members. Also, the Hopkinton Women's
Club is looking for sponsors and help
with the flower boxes on the stone
bridge. The CRA. has made a \$50⁰⁰
donation to the Hopkinton Historical Society

Lions Club will hold it's annual
Propane Sale in the CRA parking lot on
May 11 from 9:00 - noon.

Suzki Wright would like for the local
quilting group to meet here in the
conference room on Wed. mornings
from 9-11 A.M. (\$40 mo. fee)

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 P.M.