

READSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 25, 2017  
6:30PM

**Attendee's:** Al Scaia, Jim Franzinelli, Rhonda Smith, Mitchell Holland, Priscilla Thayer  
Jim Dassatti, Grady Morrison (Priscilla's grandson)

**Secretary's Report:** Priscilla Thayer took minutes at last meeting. Minutes were read and approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion made by Jim Franzinelli. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by Mitchell Holland. All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Minutes were read & approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion made by Al Scaia. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by Priscilla Thayer. All in favor.

Checking Balance; \$3076.00

Saving's Balance; \$618.20

Mitchell purchased a toilet from WW Building Supply at \$184.87 which was paid out of checking account.

A deposit was made of \$56.00 for the June 24 Open House.

Al gave Rhonda \$30.00 for products sold at the July 23 Open house.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Rhonda priced a dehumidifier** for \$259.99 (does not include tax). The dehumidifier will have a 70- pint reservoir that will do a 3400 sqft space plus a pump and hose to pump water outside. A motion was made to purchase dehumidifier. 1<sup>st</sup> motion made by Jim Franzinelli. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by Priscilla Thayer. All in favor.

**Wall in back** was again discussed as Mitchell talked with Bob Scott what needed to be done.

**The old toilet pipe** in back will be capped off by Tom Maroni.

**Storage area in back** was discussed again. Al thought we should look into getting more space somewhere so we can keep things that are not being used for display. At some point, we can swap things out to change exhibits. He also felt that since the society is active again, that more people will feel more comfortable donated things and that room will be limited. Mitchell felt that people may feel they don't want their donation scattered all over town. Until we get the back room organized, we will see what storage space will be needed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**A Grant for Culture Facilities** was brought up by Jim Dassatti. Rhonda stated that at the time the Historical Society was not a 501( c ) 3 and asked if it needed to be to be considered for this grant. Jim stated yes, but maybe we could go under The Living History Association federal ID number for now until we get ours established.

**Furnace in basement** was discussed as it would be a good idea to have on. Al took pictures of it to prove it is in disrepair.

**The Old Country Fiddler** will be coming to the historical society on Tuesday Aug 1 at 6:00pm. Rhonda will make lemonade and everyone will bring a dessert. Rhonda will contact Cyndi Candilora the librarian of when we should be there to open up.

**Open House for Betty Bolognani** will be held on Sunday August 13 from 1-4pm. The dedication for Betty will be at 2:30pm which the plaque will be unveiled. Everyone was asked to bring some desserts, as Rhonda will be there to set up table. A frame is still needed for Betty's picture.

**Adjourned at 7:30pm.** 1<sup>st</sup> motion made by Jim Franzinelli. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by Priscilla Thayer. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Rhonda Smith  
Secretary