

Westerlo Heritage Museum

Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, February 8, 2018 7:00 pm

Westerlo Town Hall

Trustees Present: Elaine Nevins,

Excused: Diane Therrien Smith

Absent: Ron Bryan

1. January minutes were reviewed. No quorum, unable to approve.
2. Treasurer report – deferred. Will look at December, Jan and Feb statements at March meeting.
3. Museum Report:
  - a. Museum was be open on Jan 13 during the fireman’s breakfast
    - i. Antique ornaments on a tree
    - ii. Old Christmas cookie cutters
    - iii. History of the Christmas Tree, History of the Christmas ornament, History of the National Christmas Tree and the Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree
    - iv. Highway department plowed the driveway.
    - v. 20 people came in
  - b. Museum will be open on Sat, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> 9am – 12noon for the Firemen’s breakfast
    - i. Display will be antique winter sports
    - ii. Bobsled upstairs in the library from 1940’s
      1. Mary – Jane has asked the highway department to bring it to the museum tomorrow.
    - iii. Bobsled from the 1960’s
    - iv. Skiis and ice skates from the 40’s/50’s
    - v. Pictures of skiis and skates in use.
    - vi. Wooden snowshoes
  - c. Hope to have the museum open during the March firemen’s breakfast, however, Mary – Jane will be on vacation so someone would need to be there.
    - i. Would like to do a display of older maple syrup equipment – looking for some at present.
  - d. Security/Changing locks
    - i. Called Nathan Payne on Mon. He emailed today. They will be at the Town Hall in Feb and will do our installation soon after.
    - ii. They will lok at the museum while they are working at the Town Hall.
    - iii. Installation set for late Feb.
  - e. Would like to start moving more things from the library to the old town hall.

- i. Mary – Jane asked Ed Lawson and Kathy if anyone has keys to Ed’s old office and the door going upstairs. They are looking for them.
    - ii. Building shelving is out of the question – Mary – Jane and Elaine took measurements. Mary – Jane is looking into ordering shelving.
    - iii. Mary – Jane and Elaine moved things out of Ed’s old office and vacuumed.
4. Hiltowns Regional Historic Summit:
  - a. Last meeting was in November at the Rennselearville Library. Not sure when the and where the next meeting is.
5. New Board Members:
  - a. Diane Therrien Smith approved by the Town Board.
  - b. Susan Cunningham has resigned from the Museum Board.
  - c. We need to find some more members.
6. Ideas for fundraisers
  - a. Takeout soup during lent
  - b. Takeout subs for Super bowl
  - c. Container takeout night buffet
  - d. Taste of Westerlo Then and Now Cookbook
  - e. Harvest festival – next October – need to set a date and appoint a chair
  - f. Brunch for Mom
  - g. Soup for Election Day
  - h. Tea
  - i. Pictures with Dracula
  - j.
7. Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary – Jane Araldi