

Davis Town Meeting House Society, Inc.

Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2019

The meeting of the Davis Town Meeting House Society was called to order by President Maryanne Douglas, who opened the meeting at 7:05 PM at the Swezey-Avey House in Yaphank, N.Y.

Members in Attendance:

Maryanne Douglas	Robert Kessler	Robert Maniotis
Suzanne Johnson	Thomas Gaidry	Betsy Maniotis
Barbara Hoff	Chris Reilly	Steven Lucas
Vana McClure	Van Johnson	Millie Zimmermann

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

New members Betsy and Bob Maniotis were introduced.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

Chris Reilly reported that as of 2/28/19 the cash on hand balance is \$10, 941.61.

Membership Chair Report

Barbara Hoff reported that we have 94 members.

Historian's report

Millie Zimmermann showed pictures of historic homes in Coram that had been lost due to fires.

Old Business

1. Bob Kessler gave a written progress report:

- A. The archive room will be located on the first floor in the clerk's office.
- B. The old dining room only needs paint.
- C. The doorway between the dining room and the tavern room has been widened to 5'.
- D. A new mantle has been built for the old kitchen.
- E. The new kitchen's paint is almost finished.
- F. The corner cupboard is in place in the west parlor.
- G. The main entry staircase has been rebuilt and installed.
- H. Many rooms have been spackled.
- I. Van is providing some volunteers to help remove the steel beams in the tavern room, so that this room can be completed

2. "The Burning of the Hay in Coram" reenactment will take place in October, 2020; opposite Home Depot. Barbara Russell, Town Historian, will be there with her daughter and her daughter volunteered to ride her horse at the ceremony. The Third Regiment will also be present.

3. Leah from the Times Beacon Record is charging \$1,500 to show the film of the Setauket Spy Ring. Suzanne suggested showing it at the library and sharing the cost with the library.

4. The Tea Party Committee will meet on March 15 at the old Fire house in Coram. Maryanne will try to get a speaker from Jean Davis' garden club in Port Jefferson.

New Business

1. The Omnibus Grant of \$6000.00 was approved. A lively discussion followed on how it should be divided.
2. Kathy Curran would like a tour of the Davis House in June 17th.
3. The speaker on April 1 will talk about the Civil War and Long Island.

Open Discussion

1. The sign dedication will be April 27. All local politicians will be invited.
2. Maryanne will speak to Sarah Anker about parking places at the Davis house. The meeting was adjourned and a delicious chocolate cake, made by Maryanne was served.

Respectfully Submitted:
Mildred Zimmermann