

Davis Town Meeting House Society, Inc.
Meeting Minutes - June6, 2016

The meeting of the Davis Town Meeting House Society was called to order by President Maryanne Douglas at 7:00pm at the Swezey- Avey House in Yaphank, NY.

Members in Attendance:

Maryanne Douglas
Chris Reilly
Diane Cardello
Barbara Hoff
Jean Hartling
Vana McClure
Bonnie
Steve lucas
Jeff Davis
Roberta Davis
Peter M Endris
Tom Guidry

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited.

Approval of Minutes . Chris Reilly motioned to amend this minutes to the effect we have a \$125,000 thanks to assemblyman, Steve Engelbright given to the Town to renovate the Davis Town Meeting House.

Treasurer's Report

Chris Reilly reports we have \$11,030.19 after various computer equipment and newsletter supplies were purchased. We are awaiting reimbursement from the \$5,000 grant.

Membership Report

Barbara Hoff reported we have 77 dues paying members.

Historian's report

None

Old Business

The milling of the historical beams came to about \$2000. We have not received the bill as of today. . We will have a quarterly newsletter sent to members. Jeff Davis will submit articles on local cemeteries. President Mary Ann Douglas asked members in attendance to research local history for newsletter articles. We discussed looking for vendors for the yard sale. The regiment has agreed to be a part of the day's events. Bob Kessler plans to have the second floor work on the house completed this summer. There will be a meeting with the engineers on structural repairs to the house.

New Business

President, Maryanne Douglas reported on a private meeting with Gardiner's Foundation. The group is very interested in giving us grant monies. The monies will be used on renovation and stabilization projects on the house. The paperwork for the grant is due October 6, 2016 and Maryanne asked Steve Lucas and Chris Reilly to help her with its filing. We will need to insure the house for \$2,000,000 and we will shop around for the lowest insurance rate. We will advertise for vendors for the yard sale. We will use community service volunteers. Vender tables are \$25 and member tables are \$15.

Open Discussion

Maryanne introduced Margaret Guardi, a community member who is proficient in costume restoring, cataloguing and genealogy. Jeff Davis reported there will be a Yaphank Cemetery Association fundraiser dinner and Chinese Auction. Maryanne is working on a PowerPoint presentation for the Port Jefferson library. She encouraged members to also plan to make group presentations about the Davis House. Members were encouraged to think of ways to “bring the House alive for Brookhaven residents and future visitors to the house as per the advice of Kathy Curry.

Respectfully Submitted:

Diane Cardello