Davis Town Meeting House Society, Inc.

Meeting Minutes July 6, 2020

[NOTE: There were no board or general meetings in April, May or June due to Covid-19 restrictions.]

The meeting of the Davis Town Meeting House Society was called to order by President Maryanne Douglas who opened the meeting at 7:03 at the Davis Town Meeting House in Coram, NY. For health purposes with Covid-19 we met outside the Davis House on side yard.

Members in Attendance

Maryanne Douglas (D)

Steve Lucas (D)

Vana McClure

Diane Cardello (D)

Ellen Kushner

Maryanne Vigneaux

Mildred Zimmerman (D)

Suzanne Johnson (D)

Chris Reilly (D)

Jean Hartling (D)

Van Johnson

Barbara Hoff (D)

The Pledge of Allegiance was not recited this evening.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as written, Ellen motioned, and Barbara seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report

Chris Reilly gave a report of \$12,195.87. We have \$5,000 of that money set aside for the kitchen. In addition, we have \$3000 set aside for the Hay Burning Event. We have operating cash in the amount of \$3,787.00 We have received a voucher for \$2,360.89.

Membership Report

Barbara Hoff reported we have 99 paid members.

Historian's Report

Millie reported she went through several trunks that contained children's as well as adult clothes. With Margaret Guardi's help we shall be able to make fine displays of these items when we open the house.

Old Business

- 1. Robert Kessler's update on the Davis House noted that due to Covid 19 virus the inmates cannot leave the jail. Our house is first on their list when they can get back to work. Septic work will go forward and after that plumbing work. Each entrance door will have a large stone placed by it. In addition, the courtyard door will have a ramp and a handicapped path.
- 2. Prior to this meeting the Yard Sale and Craft Fair held a meeting. We have ten vendor tables so far. Members will make a total of 8 raffle baskets. Maryanne has advertised it in several venues.
- 3. Diane Schmidt's presentation is canceled until further notice. The Longwood fair for this year was cancelled.
- 4. We are hoping to proceed with our Victorian Tea at the Coram Fire House in either November or December.

New Business

- 1. Our next meeting will be on August 3, 2020.
- 2. On July 16th at 3:00 PM, Bill Bleyer will meet with Suzanne, Maryanne, Chris and Diane at Davis House. He will be taking pictures for his book on Washington's Culper Spy Ring.
- 3. Coram Hay Burning Committee will meet at Maryanne's back yard on July 17th at 6 PM.

^{*}D: Board of Directors member

Open Discussion

- 1. We will have elections in November for officers. In addition, we need a trustee replacement for Tom Gaidry who is resigning.
- 2. We discussed a letter being sent to a few officials to support our historical statues. Maryanne will send an email letter for review and board members will give their feedback.
- 3. The town is holding a \$50 check for the bleachers needed for the Coram Hay burning.
- 4. The 3rd NYS Regiment has permission to practice drills on Davis House property on July 11th.

Barbara moved we adjourn at 7:45 PM and Suzanne seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted: Diane Cardello