

Davis Town Meeting House Society, Inc.  
Meeting Minutes - August 6, 2018

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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, NY.

*Members in Attendance:*

Maryanne Douglas  
Steve Lucas  
Diane Cardello  
Chris Reilly  
Vana Mc Clure  
Jean Hartling  
Robert Kessler  
Mildred Zimmermann  
Lawrence Boddy  
Barbara Hoff  
Grace D"Alleva  
Margaret Guardi

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited.

***Approval of Minutes*** The minutes were accepted as written. Barbara motioned to accept and Steve seconded.

***Treasurer's Report***

Chris Reilly reports we have \$10,559.34 as of close of business July 31, 2018.

***Membership Report***

Barbara Hoff reported we have 85 dues paying members as of July 31, 2018.

***Historian's Report***

Mildred Zimmermann brought in an English Literature Primer that many of the Davis family used and signed. In addition Larry Boddy brought in items from the Everett Davis House which was built in 1841 for members to view. He will be donating them To the Davis Town Meeting House.

***Old Business***

Robert Kessler reported painting and priming is being done. The work is being done in the Clerk's Office. In addition the kitchen has been primed and the fireplace has been primed. One steel beam was taken down. The steel Beam company has been asked to come and remove the second steel beam. Bob is waiting for the tax exempt because the bill for the paint should be coming soon. Edward Morris went to the house and was apprised of plaster needs and expense for the plastering of the house and the stairway and fireplace needs.

Margaret suggested follow up calls to our future speakers. We will try once more to get Bob Winowitch to speak to our group.

The update on the Norton House is that the owner is three years in arrears of paying back taxes on the house. He only needs to pay one year to avoid Brookhaven Town coming in and demolishing structures on the land. Sarah Anker is helping us to try to negotiate a fair market price for the house.

We will be having a Yard Sale and Craft Fair fundraiser on September 22, 2018 at the Davis House. Maryanne has arranged for a food truck. We have extended the hours from 10-4. Jean asked that members arrive by 8. Jean does an excellent job setting up the table places for the vendors. A committee to work the sale was set up and includes Maryanne, Jean, Vana. Barbara, Steve, Millie and Diane. We will meet once at Maryanne's prior to the sale.

Maryanne asked us to brainstorm ideas for a fundraiser to help with the cost of the house plastering.

#### New Business

Our next meeting will be September 10, 2018. Happy Labor Day. We would like to have free event for community outreach in the fall. We discussed possible venues for a screening of the film, One Life To Live. It will be open to three historical societies, The Davis House, Yaphank Historical Society and The Patchogue Historical Society.

#### Open Discussion

Members spoke briefly among themselves.

Barbara called to adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM and Millie seconded it.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Diane Cardello