

Davis Town Meeting House Society
Membership Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM, by President Maryanne Douglas.

Members Present: Maryanne Douglas, Steven Lucas, Barbara Hoff, Robert Kessler, Chris Reilly, Vana McClure, Jean Hartling, and Ellen Kushser. (8 members)

Approval of Minutes: Barbara Hoff moved to accept the March 5, 2018 as written. Second by Steve Lucas. Approved.

Treasurer's Report (Chris Reilly): The current balance is \$10,470.65.

Membership Report (Barbara Hoff): There are 89 members to date.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Davis House Update – Bob Kessler reported that the heating and air conditioning has been installed and just needs to be turned on. He will contact Ed Morris to look into foundation issues.
2. Norton House – Purchase of the house is on hold. The owner has paid one year of back taxes; no further action can be taken.
3. Suffolk County Omnibus Grant – Purchases are nearly complete; expenses should be reimbursed to us by January or February 2019.
4. Yard Sale and Craft Fair - Income from the September 22nd Yard Sale and Craft Fair amounted to \$990.65 which included yard sale tables, raffles, donations, vendor fees and two new memberships. Some suggestions discussed for next year: an earlier call on raffle baskets, signage on Rt. 25 and vendor check in table. A motion was made by Vana McClure to donate the two leftover baskets to the Coram Fire Department Open House on October 7th. Second by Ellen Kusher. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

The November 5th meeting will include guest speaker Bob Winowich who will give a presentation on the Manor of St. George and involvement in the Revolutionary War. A Cemetery Committee and Chair are needed. To be discussed at a future meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Robert Sturm gave a presentation on the development of the Long Island Rail Road from its start in 1830 to present. He highlighted the major historical, economic and ownership events that shaped its changes. A question and answer period followed. Books he authored on the topic were available for purchase.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Hartling