

Davis Town Meeting House Society, Inc.
Meeting Minutes - October 5, 2015

The meeting of the Davis Town Meeting House Society was called to order by President Maryanne Douglas at 7:06 at the Swezey Avey House in Yaphank, NY.

Members in Attendance:

Maryanne Douglas
Barbara Hoff
Diane Cardello
Chris Reilly
Tom Gaidry
Robert Kessler
Bonnie Cornett
Vana McClure
Jean Hartling
Betsy Bloomer
Steve Lucas
Peter Endriss

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was previously distributed by email. Total assets are \$10,493.50. The report will be filed.

Membership Report

Barbara Hoff reported that there are 73 members.

Historian's report

Mildred Zimmermann was absent. In light of that several members offer items to the society.

Vana Mc Clure brought a baseball uniform with the Davis Farm logo. It was donated by Jenny Kelleher.

Jean Hartling brought pencil drawings of historical houses in the area.

Steve Lucas developed pictures from slides found in one of the property's shed.

Jacquellan Duryea donated a plate picturing the Davis House. It commemorated the 365th anniversary of the Town of Brookhaven. Maryanne had a picture of the donation being presented in front of the Davis House. A certificate of appreciation will be sent to Mrs. Duryea.

Chris Reilly mentioned a commemorative stone and plaque for Coram Community Club House which was deeded by heirs of Capt. Henry Smith. That plaque and stone will be moved to the Davis House. Van Johnson and Coram Fire Dept will help move it.

Old Business

Steve Englebright toured the interior of the house. He wants to secure a \$50,000.00 grant. We would like it given to our non-profit organization. We need the Town of Brookhaven to give us \$50,000.00 in matching funds. We would like to control the funds so it must come in as off-set funding from the state.

Ed Romaine was forwarded information from the meeting as of 10/5/2015 requesting a meeting with Steve

Engelbright . As of today no word on that meeting.

Steve Lucas had the silver evaluated at local pawn shop in Patchogue. It was found to be only silver plated. He will sell to pawn shop at a fair price and donate it to the Davis House.

Bob Kessler spoke about the prisoner program and that the letter was corrected. The inmates will be provided with lunch while they work of the Davis House. Work will start so soon as the second floor beams are secured.

New Business

We brained-stormed ideas for future fund raisers. We plan to send out a no bake sale flyer to members who will send in donations in lieu of baking. This idea was presented by Steve Lucas. He said it was successful for Patchogue Historical Society. We discussed sending out a letter to this effect with a stamped envelope for return donations to our membership. Steve offered us a sample letter. We discussed the cost effectiveness of this proposal.

We will change the Plant Sale date to the week before Mother's Day. We would also like the woodworker to come to that event as well. It will attract customers.

We will have no December meeting. Our next meeting will be Monday November 2nd at 7 pm.

At 8pm Betsy moved to adjourn the meeting. Barbara Hoff seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted:
Diane Cardello