

Delaware County Historical Association Board Meeting
Friday, March 11, 2016 10:00am

Present: Barbara Coleman, Peggy Kearney, Tom Kendall, Dick Meyer, Mike Wood and Tim Duerden. Minutes taken by Angela Gaffney.

Absent: Cheryl Boyd, Roy Scrimshaw

Welcome Lee Cohen, Cohen and Frazier Builders

Tim introduced Lee Cohen. Mike reports he is happy with the estimate. Asks how flexible his schedule is. Lee explains his timeframe is early summer. Probably June. Would like a schedule of DCHA events to help with scheduling. Tim explains DCHA's two big events in June are P3 June 1 & 3, Civil War Reenactment June 25 & 26. Mike reports the chimneys also need work. Can Lee do this or does he know someone? The main ones will need repointing. The one on the kitchen should be taken down and rebuilt. Lee explains ideally the chimney work should be done before the roof. He recommends Bill Stone. Lee says he can call and get an estimate for DCHA. Lee reports he will be using a 35ft fork lift which may tear up the lawn a bit. He will repair the lawn when done. Mike asks if Lee will work with Curtis. Lee reports he just stopped at Curtis to get a quote on materials. Tim explains he got a promise of a grant from O'Connor. He sent the original quote to O'Connor for the grant. The papers ask for plans and specifications before money can be released. Not sure what this means. Lee says he can provide what they need. Tim gives check to Lee for first payment with signed contract. Dick asks what type of shingle he will use. Lee reports pressure treated 1-A which is the highest quality. Says it should last 35 – 40 years. They are the best product on the market for this type of job. Lee thanks DCHA for choosing him.

10:20am Lee leaves.

Peggy asks how we will pay for the work. Tim reports O'Connor has promised \$20,000 which is the maximum for emergency repairs. Tim also contacted Tianaderrah Foundation and sent a letter to FAM. Hoping this will cover much of the cost. Tim says he could also send a letter to members asking specifically for money to pay for the roof repair. Tim reports the CD also came due and Tim closed the account and put it in the savings account. Peggy suggests asking Curtis if they would donate some of the materials. Tim can ask. Tim reports the house was last painted in 2007. He tried to contact Senator Bonacic to ask for money for repainting the house. He called and left messages and sent e-mails. He has not heard anything yet. Discussion on painting the house, fixing shutters. Barbara suggests we may need a long-range plan for the house. Discussion on other things in the house that need work, kitchen, shed, etc. Tom says it can be done in stages. Tim reports he can contact the state for painting the house but for any other work to be done on the house he will need someone to give more specifics on what exactly needs to be done. Any money that comes from the State comes through the office of Parks and Rec. There is a lot of paperwork involved - they ask for plans, blue prints etc. Tom suggests looking at the Catskill Revitalization Corporation, Stamford, for repairs. Peggy recommends contacting Peg Ellsworth about the MARK Project.

I. Review of February 2016 minutes

Barbara requests Angela's name be added as having helped put the woman's exhibit together. Tom makes a motion to accept the minutes with addition. Peggy seconds. All in favor.

II. Committee Reports

Collections – Frisbee House painting – Angela shows new donation, a painting of the Frisbee House by Bert Townsend. He also did a pencil sketch of Erastus Root. Both of these items were donated by his son Barry Townsend.

Physical Plant – Frisbee House roof – discussed earlier

Programs, Publications & Exhibits – Tim reports: **Arcadia book** has a publication date, July 25th. **Civil War Reenactment** will be earlier this year, June 25 & 26th. Brian who coordinates the reenactors believes he can get more reenactors on these dates. He was disappointed by the turn out from last year. Tim points out this is graduation weekend, which could be a problem. Barbara reports: **women's book** is progressing, not as quickly as they had hoped but it is moving along. Starting to get some things from historical societies. Diane Galusha suggested Molly Goldberg, Peggy says Fleischmanns Museum of Memories may have more information on her. Barbara asks Angela to e-mail the historical societies and let them know they will get credit for what they contributed. **Quilts** – Mike reports Angela brought quilts over to display in the Sidney Library. There are ads in the paper about the display. It has gotten a lot of attention. Dick asks if we have trouble getting quilts to use for raffle items. Angela says it is not easy. Dick has seen some go at auction for very cheap, thought of buying one to be used as a raffle. Tim says that would be perfectly acceptable. **Ballantine exhibit** – Tim reports the next exhibit will be paintings by George Ballantine. He is from Andes, in his 90s in failing health. Hope he will be at the opening April 8th. The exhibit will be up through June 5th.

Public Relations – Tim reports numerous article have been in the paper. Peggy hands out rack cards for the Scenic Byway 28. Suggests Tim contact them to see if we can get some advertising through this group. Talk to John Duda. Peggy suggests Tim try to get interviewed on the Roxbury Radio station to tell them what goes on at DCHA.

Finance – Tim reports: **Review** is almost done. Have received the draft, but it will have to wait for Roy to get back to look it over. Not sure how much it will cost, Roy was going to check to see if it will be cheaper if they do not visit DCHA. **LGS** – Received \$9,000 from Delaware County.

As of March 11 we have \$27,513 in our general checking account and Tim put the money from the CD in the savings account.

11:30 – Barbara leaves

III. Director's Report

Genealogy workshop – went well. 25 people came and each paid \$10.

Food workshop – Samantha did the first food workshop last weekend. There were 6 people. It went well.

Keene talk – tomorrow Michael Keene is doing a talk on New York's Worst Women, female serial killers.

Re-enactment – will be June 25 & 26. Tim spoke with Pam Guy who did the food last year. She is not sure if she can come this year because she usually has something else she does on those dates.

IV. Old Business

None

V. New Business

Peggy asks if some of the workshops we do could be held in places other than just at DCHA. For example: do it once at DCHA, once in Sidney and once in Margaretville. Discussion on having workshops at other locations. Tim explains some workshops would be difficult to hold other places, like the cooking ones. Also the local historical societies have a lot of their own programs.

Next Board Meeting: Friday April 8, 2016

11:40am – Mike makes motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds. All in favor.