

Historical Society of Clarendon Vermont

Annual Meeting Agenda

May 17, 2021 6PM

Clarendon Community Center

In attendance were Bob Underhill, Phil & Becky Mandolare, Heather Kent, Ed Congdon, Donna Brewer, Pat Moore, Jeff Pesko, Dave Potter, Noel Potter, Mike McMorrow constituting a proper quorum. This was the first in-person meeting since February 2020.

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Underhill and minutes from the 2020 Annual Meeting were distributed for attendees to read. A vote was taken approving the minutes.

Bob made a motion to re-elect Heather Kent as Secretary and Ed Congdon as a Board member and to elect Dave Potter as a Board member for the first time. The audience was asked for additional nominations and hearing none, a vote was taken to elect Heather, Ed, & Dave for 3 year terms.

A financial statement for the year ending 12/31/2020 was distributed. Treasurer Becky Mandolare reviewed the society's finances and answered questions. The majority of the 2020 expenses were web-site hosting related. Bob noted that books, post cards, & photos that were acquired, and general supplies needed for storage and processing material were bought by him as donations. A vote was taken to approve the financial report.

The Annual Report as appeared in the Annual Town Report was read by Bob and additional comments made. He noted that we are currently past 1,500 entries on the website vs the 1,200 noted in the report; the increase YTD being substantially due to the addition of the *Writings of Mabel T. Herrick* collection.

Phil updated the group on our Facebook site. It currently has 216 members and has proven instrumental in enhancing and even correcting existing entries as well as driving traffic to our website. It kept the society engaged with the community during the covid-19 period when regular meetings weren't held. Phil has posted a new entry every single day without fail.

Phil did a short demonstration of our website, including using the search feature. He also showed the audience our You Tube site.

Dave & Noel Potter narrated two ca. 1947 videos taken on the Potter farm. One centered on logging and the other on sugaring. Phil will try to get these videos onto our You Tube site.

In Other Business we discussed possible speakers for upcoming meetings. This included Phil giving a talk about metal detecting, Devin Colman giving a talk on Nichols Powers (he had been scheduled to give a talk last Oct. before we cancelled meetings due to covid-19), Dave Potter & John Colvin giving a talk on Chippenhook history (Bob is to give John a call to see if he is still

interested). Interviewing people such as Tom Weeks, Mike McLellan, and Ruth West/Alice Bowen was brought up; the issue being volunteers are needed to do the interview & film it. Nobody has stepped forward in this regard yet.

At the June meeting we need to discuss plans for the Town Wide Tag Sale and the July 24th joint project with the Vermont Old Cemetery Association at the South Flats Cemetery next to town hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.