

Historical Society of Clarendon VT

August 15, 2019 6PM Town Hall

In attendance Bob Underhill, Phil Mandolare, Ed Congdon, Garrett Crift

This meeting focused on plans for the September – November meetings. Planned are:

September – Dave Potter – Clarendon Springs & Edmund's Essay by Dave when he was a school kid. Bob will confirm with Dave, including whether it is OK to film it & roughly how long he thinks it might be.

October – Garrett Crift – Native Americans. It is OK to film him.

November – Ed Congdon is trying to get a speaker from a local railroad group.

We will only seek to plan up to 3 months ahead of time. Future topics might possibly include a talk by VT State Architectural Historian Devin Colman on Nichols Powers (Bob will send link to Devin's talk to Phil) and a talk on Judge Theophilus Harrington.

We discussed the Charles Button 1767 site on Creek Rd. Bob will touch base again with Dr. Matthew Moriarty at Castleton about a site visit. Phil and Garrett will both be part of that visit if possible.

We discussed that after the leaves come down Phil, Bob, & Garrett will visit cellar hole sites to measure and otherwise further documents them.

Ed brought a photo of the former Clarendon Flats rail station in 1907. It was on the east side of the tracks behind the Town Hall.

Ed also brought an old photo of his Great Uncle Elmer Congdon's home on Creek Rd. This was the P.A. Eddy house on the 1869 map. It is believed to date to 1807. Ed is going to contact the owners for an Ok for he and Phil to explore the property.

Bob brought the 1995 booklet prepared by 6th graders at the Clarendon Elementary School with their essays of their interviews with WWII veterans. The Bailey Library donated it to us.

Bob noted that member Paul Salisbury from Washington State will be visiting Clarendon on the 23rd to tour sites associated with his family. He is descended of Abraham Salisbury and his son Gardner. Phil will contact Turk Hawkins for an OK to visit an old cellar hole that might have been associated with either Abraham or his neighbor Jesse Sprague.

The State mapping project was discussed. Bob will get the link to Phil & Ed.