

Historical Society of Clarendon, Vermont
September 20th, 2017

Present: Garrett Cript, Bob Underhill Peter Savage, Becky Mandolare, Ed Congdon, John Romano, Dave Potter, Rick Bersaw, Joan and Bob Bixby, Heather Kent.

Garrett presented some election posters from 1902, as well as some old papers from the Potter house, including a Russian paper.

Bob Underhill detailed some research on a murder that happened to Andrew Emery Jr, in 1920.

Dave Potter discussed his grandfather Noel Potter, including his service in the civil war, and his death. Cindy Davis mentioned that Mr. Potter's grandfather had served under Capitan Abraham Salisbury, who was one of the first settlers in Clarendon in the revolutionary war.

Bob Underhill advised that he was looking for the Freeman's list, which would have listed the white landholding males during the founding, and also a map of the colonists. Phil found a guy with a map.

Dave Potter suggested contacted Dawn Hance, who had done a lot of research on Clarendon.

Bob Underhill thanked Secretary Heather Kent for the first newsletter. Heather advised that she would be doing the newsletter every other month, but would eventually hope to get it out every month.

An effort by a Clarendon citizen with the Vermont preservation trust to preserve the North Clarendon Chapel and the Clarendon Springs Hotel were discussed. The Clarendon Hotel effort was not going to be pursued due to the cost factor.

Vermont Field Classroom was discussed, an organization out of Green Mountain College. They offer guest speakers on a few topics pertaining to Clarendon, such as the Unique Construction of Clarendon Churches, the Clarendon Hotel and the settlers to the region, Theophilus Harrington, and the History of Clarendon Barns. After a discussion in which it was decided the society was interested, Bob agreed to get more information.

John Congdon showed some pictures and information of his family.

The possibility of recording lectures and further meetings was discussed and agreed upon.

The Clarendon history book was discussed, as how many were still viable, what price, and how they should be advertised.

The Society agreed to submit a report for the Town Report.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.