

Minutes 8-16-17

The Society reviewed the Doherty house artefacts, including old Rutland Herald papers.

The May, June, and July minutes were approved.

The President reviewed some books that had been purchased himself, as well as a map of Clarendon from 1854. A discussion occurred on the changes in the borders of the Town when comparing to the present map. The Crown Point road was discussed, and member Garrett Crift advised that he had spoken to the Abenaki chief, who had confirmed a settlement of the Mahicans/Abenaki northeast of the Congdon farm.

The Old Brick Church was discussed, as well as the first minister of the church, Henry Hunter, and his possible connection to Henry Hunter Crossman, a person of interest in Clarendon.

For next meeting:

President Bob Underhill stated that he would go through some of the old papers he had from the Doherty house to find Clarendon news.

The identification of the schools in Town of the past was discussed, as well as Horton Road. Phil Mandolare had a few discoveries in the area that bespoke of activity, and wondered who had lived there.

The newsletter was scheduled for release one week before the September meeting.

Phil Mandolare suggested for the future having a public presentation, with outside speakers and society members given presentation.

The Secretary advised that she had three oral histories lined up.

Joan Bixby advised that copies of old Rutland Herald articles were available at the library.

Rebecca Mandolare asked about the old Congdon House and the possibility of it being donated. Bob Underhill stated that the house could possibly be donated, but not the land.

The Town Hall was briefly discussed.