

## **Minutes for the Franklin Historical Society Meeting**

**June 6, 2024**

*Meeting at Peabody Place Senior Living*

**Program:** “100 years of Class Day” slideshow with Leigh Webb

**Refreshments:** By Rita Norander & Annette Cain

### **Business Meeting:**

- Salute to the Flag – N/A due to no American flag in the meeting space.
- Moment of Silence for departed members.
- **Secretary’s Report** – *Motion to approve* the May minutes made by Judith Ackerson, *seconded* by Karen Darling, *passed*.
- **Treasurer’s Report** – Remains in good shape, with the cost of the boiler mostly recovered, if taking into consideration stock market value recently. Next large payment will be for insurance in September, currently enough in the checking account to cover it. Folks who have not submitted their yearly dues have received emails.

### **Old and/or Continuing Business:**

- Thank you to Community Day volunteers Annette Andreozzi, Annette Cain, Elizabeth Jewell, & Sandra Burney! Two new members joined at Community Day.
- Update on the Scavenger Hunt fundraiser: there are a lot of prizes! A few scavenger hunt forms sold at Community Day (to new members), and are currently available to buy at the Historical Society & through Elizabeth Jewell.
- Memorial Day weekend hours at Historical Society saw no visitors. Could nearby construction be giving people pause?

### **Committee Reports:**

- **Building:** Garden & yard clean up will likely be morning-of plant sale due to the orange fence that is in the way which will be removed for the plant sale and put back up after.
- **Facebook update:** There were a couple of not-so-positive comments on some photos posted; hoping this is a “one-off” and will not be a trend.
- **Education Comm:** 10 QR codes in the city! Finishing up the lesson on how Franklin became a city; “then & now” with 4<sup>th</sup> graders went very well.

### **New/Other Business:**

- **Plant Sale:** Volunteers needed! Once volunteers have been determined, then a game plan can be devised. Please pass on the word about the sale & the online ordering for specific plants.
  - Pink peonies are available NOW.
  - Volunteers needed to help dig up the plants at Webster Place to contribute to the sale; also, still accepting donated plants.
- **Blackboard:** A blackboard from the Henry Memorial school across the street is being saved for the Historical Society. Leigh will need assistance to get it upstairs due to it being rather heavy and awkward.
- **Septic line replacement:** Currently have a port-a-potty outside of the Historical Society building due to the septic lines being replaced; should be wrapped up before Fall.
- **TRIP Center visit:** A possible visit to the Historical Society for seniors involved with the TRIP center may be arranged, still waiting to hear back.

**Announcements:**

- **Sanbornton event:** Field trip to the Ashland Railroad Station on 6/15.
- **Andover Fair:** Potter Place Festival 10am-4pm on 6/29.

**Any Other Business / Late Items:**

- **Foolish Dictionary:** Fault – the one thing that is often found where it does not exist.

**Next Meeting:** NO MEETING IN JULY! Have a safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July!