

Minutes for the Franklin Historical Society Meeting **September 4, 2025**

Program: “A History of Franklin’s Schools” by Chris Lewis
Refreshments by Elizabeth Jewell and Belinda Aylward

Before the meeting, a funny definition was shared for “fiddler”.

Business meeting:

- Salute to the Flag led by Annette Cain
- Moment of Silence for departed members
- Secretary’s Report—motion made by Linda Pauwels, seconded by Annette Cain, *to accept the minutes of the August 2025 meeting as submitted; motion passed unanimously.*
- Treasurer’s Report—paper copies were distributed by Dan Darling. Both the checking and Fidelity accounts increased. *Motion made by Frank Genus, seconded by Belinda, to accept the report as written; motion passed unanimously.*
 - Insurance bill was received – Leigh will look into a “tenant’s policy”

Old and/or Continuing Business:

- Library “sojourn of discovery” continues soon (delayed by illness), and will be the topic of the October meeting. Kathy Fuller, Leigh and Annette Andreozzi to convene at Franklin Public Library soon.
 - Kathy made a *motion*, seconded by Elizabeth, *that the Franklin Historical Society (FHS) request that the City Council remove the original 1828 Town Plan from City Hall storage, to be placed in a safe, archival place at the Franklin Historical Society building. Motion passed unanimously.*
 - Kathy will draft letter for FHS officers to sign.
- Moving the propane tanks – discussion with Easterseals continues

Committee Reports:

- Building, Leigh -- Easterseals painted the building; gardens to be pruned back soon.
- FaceBook update, Frank – lots of interaction.
- Education Committee, Chris – will be meeting again at end of October.
- Curator, Annette—donations noted in the newsletter

New/Other Business: Museum now closed for the season, or open by appointment

Announcements:

- Sanbornton upcoming program:
 - Sept. 16, 6:30pm is a presentation on Civil War Soldier's Quilts presented by Pam Weeks.
 - Dec. 6 and 13, Christmas Fair.
- Renaissance Faire, Odell Park, this coming weekend!

Any other business/late items:

- Announcement from Elizabeth re: Boscawen cemetery

Next Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 2nd, "More Treasures from the Franklin Public Library!"

Meeting adjourned 9pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Karen Darling
Secretary