

Minutes for the Franklin Historical Society Meeting  
3 August 2023

Program [*change from the original scheduled presentation*]: “**Then and Now**” and some vintage “**Then**” photos, slideshow by Leigh Webb

Refreshments ( supplied by Frank Genus)

Business meeting:

- Salute to the Flag, led by Annette Cain
- Moment of Silence for departed members
- Secretary’s Report (for June—no meeting in July)
  - Motion to accept as submitted by Linda Pauwels, seconded by Frank Genus, approved unanimously
- Treasurer’s Report—report to the state due; Society’s accounts are in good shape, although the IFA investment account is struggling to regain the value lost from its highest amount attained last year

Old and/or Continuing Business:

- City of Franklin’s yearly stipend of \$250 received—for signs?
- Discussion about the city looking to post new “Welcome” signs and the idea of one resident to mount the original signs from the 1920’s now on display at the Society. The counter would be for the Society to pay for replica signs, if the city desires to pursue that particular look and wording
- Cookbooks: 10 ordered by Dan Darling at a cost of about \$84. Books to be sold for a minimal profit of about \$2—3. 60
- Heating proposals: 2 add’l companies, suggested by Kathy Fuller, invited to give estimates

Committee Reports:

- Building —garden cleanup volunteers: the Genus family, Joel Doherty, Randy Kovach, Jane Carey, Karen Darling, Annette Andreozi;  
Painting and clapboard replacement in one area still to be done this year (when it is cooler)
- FaceBook update—Karen: nothing new to report
- Education Comm— Chris Lewis has set a committee meeting for later this month
- Curator—Thanks to all those noted in the monthly newsletter for their incredible gifts! (and some late items that will be credited next month!)

New/Other Business:

- Discussion about the trestle and ways to stabilize it

Linda Pauwels related her impressions of her Lake Winnepesaukee  
Museum visit last month

Announcements:

Andover “Old Time Fair” at Potter Place, 9-2  
Salisbury Library, Sept. 16, 11 am Steve Taylor’s “Rural Schoolhouses”

Any other business/late items:

None

Next Meeting: Thursday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm. “Discoveries at the Franklin  
Library” with Rob Sargent

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm