

THE READINGTON MUSEUMS
MUSEUM COMMITTEE MEETING

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Chairperson Betty Ann Fort called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm

PRESENT: Betty Ann Fort, Jim Horvath, Nancy O'Malley, Rich Grohoski

ALSO PRESENT: Museum Administrator A. Hollander

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Museum Committee reviewed the meeting minutes from October 6, 2005. Rich Grohoski made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as amended. Jim Horvath seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Noted

OLD BUSINESS:

Barn Dance—The caller was good. Administrator will process program review report. Good turn out despite bad weather

Cold Brook School—Finished the Readington classes and Good Shepherd Academy and are half way through Eisenhower School. Issue with the stove have been determined to be caused by cold air blast in stove pipe correctible by making sure the fire burns very hot to start. Alarm ready to go. Powder post beetle damage has been treated

Power Wash Barn—Kevin Fisher says he will not be able to collect bids until next week

Hall House—Bid Package was advertised last week and will be opened November 22, 2005. Drainage corrections have proved successful.

Guest Cottage—Committee decided on paint grade windows. Kevin Fisher reports that a blown fuse caused the well pump to stop but he has corrected the problem. He also reports that the oil tank will be dealt with by the end of November. Administrator will talk to Kevin about a set back for the BSF furnace

Holiday Exhibit—Administrator will change all advertising for this exhibit from "Holiday " to "Winter." Nancy O'Malley stated for the record that she is not in favor of the theme of the winter exhibit. Administrator will email invitation list to Committee members for updating. The budget for the party will include \$100 for decorations and food, \$150 for a stone cutting demonstration and \$500 for the exhibit display. Administrator will ask Steve and Nicolette Tardiff to do a presentation on Cemeteries and their work one or both weekends. Jim Horvath has volunteered to open and close the museum on Sunday December 11.

New Business:

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Budget—Museum Committee reviewed budget from 2005 and made suggestions for the 2006 budget. Nancy O'Malley will incorporate these changes in the Budget and submit at the next meeting for ratification. Administrator will contact Township finance department to correct cold brook school expansion costs which were applied to the operating budget instead of the Museum Trust.

Jim Horvath made a motion to adjourn at 9:50. Nancy O'Malley seconded the motion. All were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Amy Hollander,

Museum Administrator