

**Chatham Historical Society
Annual Meeting of Members
Thursday, August 19, 2021**

The business meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by the Chair Mike Woehler, using Zoom. He welcomed all attending on behalf of the Board of Trustees. Mike thanked donors, volunteers, and many others for their support over the last year, which he described as an interesting challenge as the Board and staff had concentrated on finances, technology, and membership. He turned the meeting over to Executive Director Kevin Wright to report on changes and upgrades to the website.

The meeting returned to Mike, who asked for a motion to waive the reading of the 2020 meeting minutes. The motion was presented, seconded and approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Linda Cebula reported that the Treasurer's Report was available on the website. If anyone wished to have a copy, they should contact the office to have one mailed. She reported income from the Evening to Remember was \$75,000, and that, thanks to the Federal Payroll Program, a \$20,000 loan had been forgiven. Linda and Mike thanked supporters for their generosity over the past year.

Governance & Nominating Report

Steve Burlingame reported for the Governance & Nominating Committee.

Steve presented the slate of officers for the year 2021-2022.

They are: Chair – Mike Woehler
 Vice Chair - Steve Nickerson
 Secretary – Amanda Davis
 Treasurer – Linda Cebula

The slate of officers was approved by those present.

Steve presented the Trustees up for election this year.

They are: Nick Harris Class of 2025
 Mariah Kelly Class of 2025
 Carolynn Levy Class of 2025
 Craig Vokey Class of 2025

A motion to approve the election of the Trustees as presented was approved.

Mike acknowledged all members of the Board of Trustees and all Honorary Trustees by name.

Executive Director's Report

Kevin reported that the museum had been very busy this year with several visitor days of attendance over 150. Making a change to the exhibits was put off due to Covid, but the WETU made a great new addition. This will be the last year for the World War II exhibit, and new exhibits are planned for 2022. Costumes & Textiles has an exhibit of Christening dresses in the Music Room for this season.

In order to encourage the attendance of school groups there will be a focus on Education Plans for children.

The museum is available for special events such as weddings and pre-wedding parties to create an additional income stream. Information is posted on the website.

Kevin reviewed events planned over the summer and fall. The museum will open in May.

Evening to Remember is coming up on August 28th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Parking is limited and tickets are available online.

Kevin turned the meeting back over to Mike, who thanked Linda and Steve.

Mike turned the program back over to Kevin to introduce the speaker, Jung Ho Pak, Conductor and Artistic Director of the Cape Symphony for a program about Arts & Entertainment. Using slides for talking points, Mr. Pak discussed the importance of gathering together to develop a sense of community. A question & answer session followed the talk.

The event ended about 6:00 pm.

Margaret Martin
Assistant Secretary