

Chatham Historical Society
Annual Meeting
August 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ginny Nickerson at 3:30 pm in the meeting room of Eldredge Public Library, who welcomed those present. Ginny announced that committee reports are available online, on our website, or can be emailed if requested.

A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting. These minutes are also available on the website.

Treasurer Linda Cebula presented the treasurer's report, which is also available on the website. Linda also had a clipboard available for sign up if anyone wanted to receive the financial report. She reported that admissions are considerably higher over the last two years, and expenses have been well controlled. She thanked Steve Nickerson for his work to get the foundation renovation project completed in a timely fashion. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was accepted. The treasurer's report is attached to and becomes part of these minutes.

Dick Evans, Chairman of the Governance & Nominating Committee, presented a report for updating the bylaws; the updates are also available on the website. A motion to accept the updates was approved.

Ginny thanked retiring trustees Stephanie Bartlett, Norm Pacun, and Ann Westgate for their years of service to the Chatham Historical Society.

Dick Evans presented the slate of officers for 2018-2019 for election.

The slate is as follows: Chair – Ginny Nickerson
Vice Chair – Stuart Green
Secretary – Tim Weller
Treasurer – Linda Cebula

There being no other nominations, the election of the slate was approved.

Two new trustees were presented and elected: Dawn Boynton, Class of 2019
Betty Schiller, Class of 2021.

Three trustees were re-elected, all to the Class of 2022: Linda Cebula
Angie Simonds
Don St. Pierre

All trustees were recognized before the meeting.

Dick listed all of the Honorary Trustees, formerly the Overseers for the meeting.

Report of the Executive Director:

Director Danielle Jeanloz highlighted the new website which is also cell phone friendly and the completed foundation renovation. She recognized the work of recently deceased archivist who, with her husband Andy, created the DoubleTake Exhibit now on display at the Atwood House & Museum. Danielle commented that the collection continues to grow, including some Atwood family items recently returned to Chatham by a member of the Atwood family living in Minneapolis, Minnesota;

She referenced a survey on the website which members may participate in.

Danielle commented on the summer event, An Evening to Remember, which was very successful, and mentioned special events coming up in the fall. These include several lectures, the Marguerite Falconer exhibit coming in October, and trains in December.

Volunteers continue to be needed, especially to work in archives and on membership. New exhibits are planned for 2019.

There was no other business to come before the meeting, so the business meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm by Ginny Nickerson.

Danielle introduced the speaker for the afternoon, Tim Wood, and encouraged those present to go on one or another of Tim's history or downtown walks. Tim discussed media's relationship with history in the present and with past history, and the impact on the town's heritage and character. The program ended at 4:30 pm.

Margaret Martin
Assistant Secretary