CHHS E BOARD MEETING  May 17, 2017

Present  Nancy Kelly, Palmer Smith, John Hopper  Karen Ponton
Roland Garland, Connie Manville Johnson

Call to order 9:20 am CH SchoolHouse Museum

We discussed the Antique Car Show, for the end of summer. Roland is working on a date.

If anyone needs fliers, Call Roland or Connie as they have extras 968-3902 or 253-7207.

Belknap College reunion will be mid-late summer. Connie & Karen presented a drawing of how the back of the “big room” could be used to display the photos and memorabilia of Belknap College. The buildings that the college took over were previously inns and/or rooms to rent houses. They are part of our heritage until the town wanted other things. These buildings were beautiful, and we need to recognize the role they played in the early settlement of Center Harbor. Roland and John will check with photo contacts regarding the enlargement and permanent display of building photos in town that have burned or been razed.

Karen & Connie measured the wall space at the back of the program room. The photos we have of the buildings around town, that have burned or been razed are the centerpiece of our Center Harbor Heritage. The names of the men’s College Dorms are presented. These buildings were all here when Belknap College started. Motion made to establish a curator committee (by John Hopper, second Karen Ponton), passed unanimously. John Hopper thought the committee should make recommendations for the design of the Museum, and be responsible for the exhibits. Connie, John, Nancy & Karen volunteered to be on the Curator committee.

At the May 17th Selectman’s meeting Roland will discuss the fix up of the alcove that is immediately to the right of the main entrance door.
Amy & Jay Reardon are new members. Roland will follow up for our next meeting.

Roland suggested that we set up a call list to “dues’ paying” members to ask “would you like to be active, or would you come to meetings or volunteer.

Roland looked into CHHS ability for audio-visual equipment. He bought a new cable so that that we will still be able to use whatever device the speaker for the evening brings.

John Hopper has been working with Brendan about our finances and how to invest our funds. Because we are non-profit, we need to be more conservative. It is very hard to get back from a “down” in the stock market if we invest our money that way. Presently our money is with MVSIB. The stock market is risky. John Hoppers suggestion is to put 2/3 in bonds, and 1/3 in stocks. He suggested VanGuard as they have active managers to work with in investments, bonds & stocks. Johns feeling, with the state of the US, we should have a 75/25 mix. We need to protect our nest egg of $40,000.00 Roland, Brendan & John to talk about before our next meeting. John Hopper, as auditor, suggested making a budget. They will come back to the next Board meeting with recommendations.


John & Linda Hopper will provide refreshments for the May 25 program. Next E-board meeting will be Wed, June 14, 2017 at 10 am, at the Schoolhouse museum.

Next scheduled program by Steve Taylor will be June 22, 2017 at the School House Museum.

Adjourned 11:30 am

Respectfully submitted

Constance Manville Johnson