

A meeting of the Mahanoy Area Historical Society was held on Thursday, June 29, 2017, at 7 PM at the Rhoades Downtown Center. Attending were Peg Grigalonis, Paul Coombe, Peg Coombe, Charles Palulis, Jim Shaup, and Virginia Motsko. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer by Paul Coombe.

MINUTES

The minutes of the April 2017 meeting were read and approved on a motion made by Jim Shaup and seconded by Virginia Motsko.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

The treasurer's reports for April and May were presented and approved on a motion made by Jim Shaup and seconded by Virginia Motsko. The report indicated a balance of \$26,913.99 as of May 30, 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter requesting donation for Donnelly Memorial Softball Tournament to be held on Saturday and Sunday, August 5th and 6th. On a motion made by Paul Coombe and seconded by Jim Shaup, a gift bag of Historical Society sale items will be donated.
2. Letter from Schuylkill County Visitors' Bureau requesting membership dues and information update. On a motion made by Jim Shaup and seconded by Charles Palulis, a \$65 membership will be paid.
3. A note and \$50 donation were received from Jay Smar, Ethnic Day entertainer.
4. Notice was received from Mullin and Lonergan Associates regarding a public hearing held on June 14 at Borough Hall to discuss the CDBG. (Community Development Block Grant)
5. Paul Coombe read a letter from the chief of police of Haverford Twp. highlighting an episode in Mahanoy City's past that the chief is researching.

ACCESSIONS

1. A barrister bookcase has been donated by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dunn, owners of the Hometown Farmer's Market.
2. Dave Engle donated copies of misc. postcards and a copy of the Severen Post minutes circa 1890's.
3. Gina Kennedy donated a Catholic school uniform.
4. A photo of the Georges 1941 softball team was purchased at the bid board.
5. P.J. Markiewicz donated memorabilia from St. Fidelis.
6. A Kaier's Ale box was purchased from the bid board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Tom Flamini's group is willing to perform at the proposed banquet celebrating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the historical society. Paul Coombe spoke to Linda Fetter regarding possible use of the Elk's facility. A tentative date of Saturday, October 6, 2018 has been chosen.
2. Audit: Betty Ann Chescattie has agreed to participate in the audit. A date in mid-July is anticipated.

3. A discussion of Scott Herring's proposed activities for the 250th Anniversary of Coal in 2018 has been tabled.
4. Peg Grigalonis reported on Ethnic Day.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The recent Kubek Walk was videotaped by Paul Coombe.
2. The mid-year financial report was presented by Paul Coombe.
3. Community Day will be held on July 8. The historical museum room will be open and a preview of the Kaier video will loop on the television.
4. July 20 is Ukrainian Day at St. Nicholas in Primrose. A brief slide show will be presented. Ann Marie Evans donated \$100 toward the purchase of a small portable tv with a USB port and also a dvd player. On a motion made by Virginia Motsko and seconded by Charles Palulis, it was agreed to spend up to an additional \$100 to purchase this equipment.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Jim Shaup and seconded by Charles Palulis. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 28, 2017.

Peg Coombe, Secretary