The regular monthly meeting of the Mahanoy Area Historical Society was held on Thursday, October 29, 2015 at 7 PM at the Rhoades Downtown Center. Attending were Peg Grigalonis, Betty Ann Chescattie, Virginia Motsko, Paul Coombe, and Peg Coombe. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer by Paul Coombe.

MINUTES

The minutes of the August meeting were read and approved on a motion made by Betty Ann Chescattie and seconded by Paul Coombe. There was no meeting in September.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report indicated a balance of \$22, 269.45 as of September 30, 2015. The treasurer's report was accepted on a motion made by Virginia Motsko and seconded by Peg Grigalonis.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. A thank-you was received from Tom Ward on behalf of the Upper Schuylkill Band for sponsorship.
- 2. A thank-you was received from Amanda Urban on behalf of the Donnelly Softball Tournament for the gift basket donation.

ROOM MANAGER

Paul Coombe reported on acquisitions from Vaughn Williams Shutt and photos received in the mail from Nicole Adams. Lakewood books are needed and a purchase of ten copies from the library was authorized.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Further discussion was held regarding digitization of 8mm and 16mm film samples.
- 2. Political posters were successfully completed for display.
- 3. Further discussion was held in regard to the completion and presentation of the Murtin banner.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Recognition of Francis Chesko for his Belgian Fourragere award was discussed. Paul Coombe will contact the Elks for permission to acknowledge him at their Veterans Day Dinner.
- 2. Election of the new slate of officers was discussed. A nominating committee consisting of Paul Coombe and Virginia Motsko will contact potential nominees and create a ballot for the November meeting.
- 3. Kubek Walking Tour will be November 22.
- 4. Preparation for the mailing of the membership letters and Coal Cracker magazine will be held on December 9, 2015 at 3 PM in the museum room.
- 5. A motion was made by Paul Coombe and seconded by Betty Ann Chescattie to approve the expenditure of up to \$500 to help defray any expenses incurred by the Kubek Project above and beyond that covered by Bucknell University.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Virginia Motsko and seconded by Peg Coombe. The next regular meeting will be held on November 19 due to Thanksgiving.