



MAHANOEY AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The regular meeting of the Mahanoy Area Historical Society was held at the Rhoades Downtown Center on Thursday, July 29, 2010, at 7 P.M. Attending were Frank Senglar, Tom Ward, Peg Coombe, Angela Witconis, Ramon Soto, Joseph Flamini, Rose Flamini, and Dolly Wagner. President Frank Senglar opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer by Tom Ward.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved on a motion by Joseph Flamini and seconded by Ramon Soto.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's report indicated the following balances:

Checking account: \$2,851.16

Memorial funds: \$162.29

Paypal: \$549.37

CD: \$10,031.36

The Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by Ramon Soto and seconded by Joseph Flamini.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. A donation request was received from the Humane Fire Company, and was denied according to policy.
2. Arcadia Publishing sent a notice advertising the availability of a new book on Schuylkill County Firefighting.

COMMITTEES:

Membership: Membership stands at 129, with 47 paid through 2010.

Artifacts: Ramon Soto reported that a centennial banner and old band and football programs were donated.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:



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1. The presentation by John Lahutsky for the August, 2010 meeting was confirmed. A motion was made by Peg Coombe to defer that night's business meeting to September. The motion was seconded by Joseph Flamini and passed unanimously.
2. The book proposal that was suggested by Frank Selgrath at the May, 2010 meeting was discussed again, and no one is willing to chair the endeavor at this time. The issue was tabled.
3. The historical plaque for the Baptist Church has been hung.
4. The audit has been completed. Sally Irvin and Lois Griffiths will be sent thank-you notes.
5. Tom Ward will contact Jim Goodman about doing a presentation on his book for the October, 2010 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tom Ward reported on the progress of the Newspaper Project, which is contained on hard drive from 1916-1928. The years 1929 and 1930 are currently being copied. Tom Ward asked the Historical Society if it would be interested in accepting responsibility for overseeing the project and housing the computer with the digitized information. A motion to this effect was made by Ramon Soto, seconded by Dolly Wagner, and passed by the membership.
2. Tom Ward will supply a computer desk for the new computer containing the Newspaper Project files.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Joseph Flamini and seconded by Dolly Wagner. The August 26, 2010 meeting will be a presentation by John Lahutsky.

Peg Coombe, Secretary