

# Freedom Community Historical Society

*Restoring the Past / Envisioning the Future*  
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Meeting Notes Wednesday November 13, 2019 6:30pm at Freedom Town Office

1. Call to order- Myrick Cross called the meeting to order. 6:30 pm
2. Attendance: Frances Walker; Kate Flynn; Myrick Cross; Anne-Marie Adamson: Paul Flynn
3. Approval of October 9, 2019 minutes. Adjustment to minutes to add the names of Phil and Mrs. Dow to the attendance. Motion to accept amended minutes made and seconded.
4. Treasurer's Report- Kate Flynn reviewed the treasurer's report and it was accepted.  
Money Market : Beginning balance;\$46627.71  
Ending balance: \$15,138.18 + \$2.36(interest)= \$15,140.15  
Checking account: \$3,065.65  
Savings account: \$25.13  
Paypal Account: \$53.49  
Outstanding Bills= Well Work; Maine Archives& Museum membership;Maine Philanthropy membership and book.

## Old Business

- Antiques Roadshow- Sunday November 3rd 2-4 pm. Held at the Grange hall. Net \$200.00. Next year the P.A. system will be added to aid in hearing all conversation. Also we would like to project the objects being presented, up on a larger screen somehow to allow the audience to view. Overall, it was a successful community event.

## New Business

- Upcoming events hosted by Freedom Community historical Society include:
  - .We will hang a large wreath and light it as well as a spotlight for a festive decoration the first weekend of December or before. Kate will either make the wreath or it will be purchased depending on the weather. The Keen hall will display lights officially on December 1st.
  - Follies and Winterfest will be February 1st. Held either on Sandy pond or in Myrick's field and pond. Paul will be asked to make connections with people for ice cutting and activities and sleigh. Possible ice cream making and ice sculpture. Marketing should begin early enough to allow for snowstorms and meeting cancellation. Follies will follow the Winterfest. Grange hall will be asked to sell refreshments during the intermission.
    - Ezra possibly to plow
    - Ice cutting will begin earlier this year
    - Bonfire or fire pit depending on conditions
    - Prentice Grassi will be asked to coordinate the Follies
  - The annual appeal plan will be initiated at the beginning of December. Anne-Marie will order a card that features the sleigh from the Winterfest.
    - Picture on the front
    - mission statement on the back
    - return addressed envelope included

- stamps will be metered
  - Recipients will include the donors from the past and any potential donors as well as local people
- A thank you note recently went out for all the most recent donors. Myrick wrote a personal note in each card
- The group discussed holding an open house/ forum to generate more interest and support in the Keen Hall project. Interest needs to be generated first before we can expect people to attend a presentation. Perhaps a mailer to local people and contractors.
- A ledger book has been donated to the society that contains a diary from 1864 Freedom Maine. A thank you note will be sent.
- A small dish with Freedom Academy printed on it has been donated by John Catarina, a resident of Freedom Maine. A thank you note will be sent.
- Roy Bryant has said that he has some things to donate to the society.
- Two Grants are on the horizon:
  - Economic Development- through Maine Preservation, a preliminary proposal needs to be submitted and then they will invite us to apply.
  - 1772 Foundation, a preliminary proposal needs to be submitted and then they will invite us to apply.

*Next Meeting: December 11 , 2019 6:00pm Supper at Springvale Farm*

Officers 2018-2019

Myrick Cross, President; Frances Walker, Vice President; Anne Marie Adamson, Secretary;  
Kate Flynn, Treasurer; Viola Greeley, President Emeritus

Board of Directors 2018-2019

Viola Greeley, Myrick Cross, Kate Flynn, Paul Flynn, Anne Marie Adamson,  
Frances Walker, Sally Hadyniak

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