

Becket Historical Commission Meeting

01/12/16

Present: Sandi Jarvis, Rita Furlong, Jenn Beatty, Katherine Hoeck

The meeting commenced at 1:15pm.

Minutes- tabled as they were not yet available

Treasurer's Report – we still have \$ 1105.01 in our account. This does not include the \$12 for the Community Calendar which we voted to approve at a previous meeting. We also have \$656.40 in our "slush" account.

Communications

Old – none

New

-Rob Gorden asked the commission about Johnny Appleseed, aka John Chapman. It is believed he has ties to Becket and the Rudd family. The Congregational Church has a painting that might have been done by John Chapman, but it is not signed and we are unable to say for sure.

-The IRS has authorized \$.54 per mile for travel.

-We received an updated copy of a quilt history website from Illinois that references silk manufactured in Becket before the flood. To be filed.

We received a giant roll of toilet paper from the Bancroft Paper Mill known also as the Golden Fleece Company from Russell Burke. He said it is a giant ream that they would have cut smaller rolls from.

Old Business

Directional Signs – we received one quote for the replacement of the signs which was way too high. We plan to use our carryover money to replace the two signs and to build the structures to hold them.

Computer for Historical Commission – it is in our room. Thank you to Ed for getting it to us and showing Sandi and Gail how to use it.

Fiscal year 2016 request – Sandi received a request to complete for next year. Rita moved we request \$700 with our \$1000 carryover for 2016 and Sandi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2015 Commission report – Sandi submitted a draft by email before the meeting and we reviewed the draft making some minor changes. Jenn moved we accept the report with the minor edits and Sandi seconded.

North Becket School, District #3 property – Unfortunately, the building burned after our December meeting and it is a total loss.

New Business

Sandi checked the town website and determined we are missing some months of minutes. Jenn will check her records to make sure they are on the site.

Meeting adjourned 2:35 pm.