

GHS MINUTES -- NOVEMBER 20, 2018

11 a.m. after the newsletter stuffing party at Nancy and Clive's. This business meeting was delayed when Nov. 13 meeting was cancelled due to snowstorm. Present: Erika Karp, Lise Armstrong, BJ Gray, Marion Babbie, Janet Long, Paula Harmon, Clive Gray, Nancy Hill

Discussion about recouping our furnace repair costs. Via Barbara Brooke, we have asked the town to cover the cost via their capital budget, but that has not yet been discussed. In case they will not cover it, Lise made the motion to circulate a petition to ask the town for \$5000 at Town Meeting - a change from our original request of \$1500 (which needs 30+ names of voters). Clive immediately made up a form and everyone at the meeting signed it as a start, should it be needed. (A proactive group!!!)

After Thanksgiving, BJ will take down her wonderful Thanksgiving display in the window of GHS, and BJ, Lise and Kyle have volunteered to set up the Christmas tree/ lights.

Discussion about next summer's exhibit at the society ended with a unanimous vote to feature Greensboro Bend. There is a great deal of background material available, thanks to Lauren Sopher's PLACE program, photos we already have, etc. Erika will spearhead the effort and try to get a committee to work on it from the Bend Revitalization group.

Nancy has talked with the Hardwick Gazette owner, Ray Small, who is interested in producing a "Greensboro Gazette" insert in the newspaper once a month. It would need to have a group of Greensboro writers from all over town, and could be a good way to get GHS information out to the world. No one volunteered to spearhead the effort.

Lise asked the group for permission to purchase a Quick Books program through a program we already have - Tech Soup - at a cost of \$50. It would begin on January 1, 2019. She moved that we purchase it, Janet seconded it, and the vote was unanimous to purchase it.

Lise announced that GHS has received a \$4000 donation from the estate of Gertrude (Trudi) Osterhaut. Nancy (again) would like to use it as the start of an Endowment Fund for the future of the GHS Society. Clive mentioned that we currently have \$44,000 in our Vanguard account which could be the basis of an endowment. No action taken.

BJ proposed that we install a granite bench on the lawn in front of the GHS Building. Erika mentioned that a wooden bench, perhaps with a back, might work well. This will be discussed again in January.

Tuesday December 11, 2018 will be the traditional Historical Holiday Potluck Dinner at Clive and Nancy's. They will provide ham, and everyone is welcome to bring whatever kind of dish they prefer. Our next official meeting will be at the library on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 12:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

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