

**NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, January 11, AT 9:30
Greensboro Free Library**

GHS Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2021
9:30
Greensboro Free Library

Attending: BJ Gray, Nancy Hill, Willie Smith, Lise Armstrong, Jenny Stoner, Paula Harmon, Debbie Kasper, Kyle Gray, Clive Gray, Erika Karp, Amelia Circosta, Renee Circosta, Nan Perron and Wayne Young

President BJ Gray called the meeting to order at 9:35.

Wayne Young spoke about Greensboro cemeteries as our History Moment. He is one of 3 members and chair of the town's Cemetery Committee. We have 4 town cemeteries and the committee is charged with keeping all in good order. He shared a bit of history and many details of all that is needed to do their job.

President's Report: BJ said there will be no meeting in December and asked Kyle and Lise to put up the society's Christmas tree and decorations.

Secretary's Report - The minutes of the October meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Lise had sent out the report which was approved. It was noted that the \$14,743 in donations include a bequest of \$5000. It was suggested that the ideas of bequests be mentioned in the upcoming newsletter.

It was moved, seconded and voted to increase compensation for our archivist and video expert to \$20 an hour with the archivist working an average of 8 hours weekly. This will be reexamined in a year.

It was voted to request \$5000 from the Town of Greensboro. Lise will prepare the request.

Committee reports

Building & Maintenance – Lise reported that the shed behind the GHS building is settling and needs work. We need an estimate, but realize that it would require our moving everything out of the shed during repairs. It was decided to get an estimate of the cost of repair. Because the shed is a town building it will be asked to fund the repairs, but this project needs further study and can be deferred. We will try to get window inserts next year; the program did not take place in 2021.

Acquisitions – We have been given two (heavy!) railroad rails from Kelli and Chris Story in Greensboro Bend and the Circostas have agreed to bring them to the shed.

– **Exhibit 2022** – will be on Land Conservation in Greensboro featuring projects of the Greensboro Land Trust and the VT Nature Conservancy. A committee (Amelia, Leo, and Renee Circosta and Clive and Nancy) has met to discuss the exhibit, and all GHS members are invited

to participate in the planning. Amelia explained that the exhibit will include various activities, some outdoors.

Hazen Road Dispatch – Alison will continue to take care of distribution into next spring.

Newsletter –some articles have been received and others will come shortly. Lise, Kyle and Clive will cull the mailing list a bit so we send only 1000. The newsletter will include envelopes. When it's ready for mailing, help will be needed. This should be shortly after Thanksgiving. Our goal is to mail it about November 30 which means the articles need to be **emailed to Jenny by November 12.**

Other business

- It was voted to focus the March meeting on town cemeteries. We'll include information on the work of the cemetery committee, history, families buried there and other info of interest. Nancy and Jenny will organize it
- We need to send a thank you note to Marion Babbie who has been a very faithful volunteer for years and just moved to the Craftsbury Community Care Center (at age 101)
- Kyle (or Debbie?) will communicate with the library about cooperation on the interviews they are planning, and share with them all we have already done in that area.
- Volunteers who agreed to help prepare the Hill Exhibit for winter were Paula, Lise, BJ and Erika. Nancy will notify them of the date.
- Nancy announced that a grant is being prepared by Peggy Day Gibson of the Glover Historical Society to request funding to upgrade the Hinman Road to become a good hiking path. Members of GHS are working to find a good access to the Road in Greensboro.

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Respectfully submitted.

Jenny Stoner, secretary