## NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, March 8 AT 9:30 Place to be determined – probably Zoom

GHS Board Meeting Minutes February 8, 2022 9:30 On Zoom

*Attending:* BJ Gray, Nancy Hill, Lise Armstrong, Jenny Stoner, Paula Harmon, , Kyle Gray, Clive Gray, Amelia Circosta, Renee Circosta, Gail Sangree, and Leslie Rowell.

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

History Moment – Gail Sangree talked about the history of Hazen Road Dispatch which was started as a newsletter with 6 issues during the Nation's Bicentennial in 1976. She has been the editor since 2001. She developed an editorial committee which meets each summer and assists her in creating interesting issues.

President's Report: BJ first expressed some special thanks:

- Thanks to Lise for shoveling the walk, to Renee for creating a superb orientation document, to Shelly and Debbie for helping to cull books for the book sale collection.
- Congratulations to both Amelia and Leo for their outstanding cross country ski accomplishments.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Lise distributed a year to date statement and budget <u>for 2022</u>. It was suggested that several items need to be added to the budget: \$500 for publications (to publish items, including a reprint of the Greensboro Bend Railroad booklet), cost of a new printer/copier (amount to be determined). The information will be gathered this month

## **Business from last meeting**

- The library has not started the Story Bridge program but will involve GHS as a partner.
- Lise has arranged to get an estimate on repairs needed for the shed (in the spring) from Sean Norman and will request the town to fund the repairs.
- March program It was voted to postpone the winter program meeting on cemeteries from March 6 to April 24, in hopes that COVID will be under control by then. Jenny will send a news release to the Gazette and Kyle will post this online.

## **Committee reports**

**Building & Maintenance** – Lise and Leslie are looking for environmental grants to provide UV protection for the exhibit. They are also exploring ways to reduce humidity in the museum. There are grants available through the Vermont Community Foundation that we can apply for. In addition, our 20+ year old copier needs to be replaced and they are exploring possibilities.

## **Acquisitions** /Archives

Amelia is working on the Kesselman collection. She and Renee have completed the exhibit book for last summer's cattle exhibit. To see some of their work, go to <u>collections@greensborohistoricalsocietey.org.</u> The Memorial Garden book is being indexed by McKenna.

**Exhibit 2022** –on Land Conservation in Greensboro will have photos of about 20 of the conserved properties and also of owners. Renee has provided a link for those working on the exhibit. Volunteers included: Nancy Hill, Clive Gray, Amelia Circosta, Renee Circosta and BJ Gray. Others would be most welcome

**Membership** – Nancy invited Fan Watkinson to join us and she is interested but couldn't be here today.

Webpage/Facebook - Kyle has a pdf of the Cattle exhibit binder to put on the web..

**Goals for the year -** Improving/professionalizing our History Explorer Walk with special emphasis on the Bend as part of the Bend Revitalization Program (BRI), since the Rail Trail there will be completed in November, 2022. The committee will erect the signs again this summer. They will explore various possibilities of new signage and additional historic sites & information, but probably not change the walk this summer because it would involve changing all the numbering.

**Other business** – If Glover gets the grant they applied for to erect a trail over the Hinman Road to extend from Glover into Greensboro, we will help with a brochure.

BJ floated some ideas for a GHS flag/banner to be placed in the window of GHS when there is no exhibit there. Folks are asked to think about it. She is also exploring ways to involve children in the society, perhaps with junior memberships. Renee has given her materials with good ideas.

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Respectfully submitted.

Jenny Stoner, secretary