

2008 AGENDA & MINUTES

No agenda for February

February 8, 2008 - Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

Our Vice President Mary Frances Nachreiner, in the absence of President Phyllis Dearborn, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present were the following: Dean & Marian Burmester, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel & Mary Frances Nachreiner.

Motion was made by Dean Burmester to approve the December 13, 2007 emailed minutes & Mary Jayne seconded the motion.

Our treasurer, Mary Jayne Liegel passed around the Financial Report.

General Fund balance - \$3,767.76

Renovation Building Fund balance - \$1,943.73

Marian Burmester made a motion to accept the Treasurers report & Dean Burmester seconded the motion.

Mary Jayne Liegel then passed around an update on the 2008 membership & donation list. At the present time there are 16 individual, 18 family and 2 sponsor memberships.

With having a small attendance at our meeting no major decisions could be made, but there was discussion & planning for the coming year.

Mary Jayne passed around a second phase fund raising letter. There were a few changes made. This letter will be sent to business places that we had not done before & to those who have not yet contributed to our renovation.

There was more discussion made on what type & placement of bookcases. Marian & Dean will shop around to see what is available.

Mary Frances & Richard Nachreiner along with Mary Jayne Liegel have almost finished painting the basement & the floor sealant will be considered next.

The decoration theme for our fall Chili Supper will be "hot peppers".

It was mentioned that the Brat Stand had been a good source of raising money. Mary France may consider checking into it, but she needs help & support from our group.

There had been discussion of having a renovation open house maybe May 1st at the last meeting. This might be too soon, because there is a lot of work yet to be done. An idea to invite those who have donated to the renovation just prior to the 3-day, serving cheese & wine. Sort of a premier to our cyclone book also.

Everyone thought it would be a good idea to use the 1918 cyclone as the theme for our open house. There was discussion on whether to have a float again this year for the 3-day celebration in July. Mary Jayne suggested using the cyclone theme for a float. Maybe something simple like one of her husbands trailer with his four-wheeler pulling it. We could make a paper mache funnel using chicken wire, flour & water, with shoes or pieces of clothing hanging out of the funnel. It was suggested to eliminate the candy thrown out at the parade. It could be replaced with a personal free hand out.

Thus far we only have one oral history on the cyclone. Mary Jayne will try to get more oral histories & artifacts concerning the cyclone, depending on what free time she has available.

Dean Burmester made a motion to adjourn & Marian Burmester seconded the motion.

Submitted by Marian Burmester, Director, in the absence of Secretary, Sandy Stiemke.

Agenda of OFTHS for March 6, 2008

CALL TO ORDER 7:00

MINUTES

TREASURY REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

Report from Marian on cyclone project
Report from Mary Jane on float for parade
Report from Jim on floor sealing and a time table.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss a policy for using our facility by researchers.

What book shelves are to be used for other than storage?

Phyllis will order the Past Perfect program on her return to Wig. It will be necessary for 2 people to get training on use of program. We need to decide who will be interested in getting the training.

March 6, 2008 - Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

Our Vice President Mary Frances Nachreiner, in the absence of President Phyllis Dearborn, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present were the following: Dean & Marian Burmester, Jim Geishirt, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel, & Mary Frances Nachreiner. Also present were Gene & Georgene Hausner. Both Gene & Georgene are very interested in our group & have intentions of becoming active. Welcome!

Motion was made by Mary Jayne Liegel to approve the December 13, 2007 emailed minutes & Dean Burmester seconded the motion.

Our treasurer, Mary Jayne Liegel passed around the Financial Report.

General Fund balance - \$3,524.62

Renovation Building Fund balance - \$4,245.77

Dean Burmester made a motion to accept the Treasurers report & Marian Burmester seconded the motion.

Mary Jayne Liegel then passed around an update on the 2008 membership & donation list. At the present time there are 17 individual, 19 family and 3 sponsor memberships. She sent out approximately 200 second phase fund raising letters and is starting to get a response back from these letters.

There was more discussion made on what type & placement of bookcases. Dean Burmester has been doing research on the internet and metal is really the best for archiving book etc. Wood with a polyurethane finish would also be okay. Members will shop around to see what is available used furniture stores, UW Swap Shop etc.

Mary Frances & Mary Jayne Liegel have done more painting in the basement.

Jim passed around brochures on Epoxy Floor Paint with speckles for use on the floor. Motion was made to choose Armor Gray in the Rustoleum Brand. It was voted on and all agreed on the color. We have about 850 sq. ft. and would take about 5 gals to cover the floor. It sells for \$42 a gal. Sale price would be \$33. Everyone should watch for a sale at Menards & let Mary Francis know.

Marian Burmester reported that the writing is in process on the cyclone and it is divided up. Phyllis Dearborn is writing the Plain area & weather, Sandy Stiemke has the Lone Rock, Marian Burmester is working on the 161st artillery at Poynette and Iowa area. Marian hasn't heard much back on the progress, since we all are very busy working on our portion of the project

Mary Jayne is developing the idea of either cardboard or paper mache tornado funnel on a trailer pulled by a four-wheeler, with shoes or pieces of clothing hanging out of the funnel.

At the last meeting a suggestion was made to replace the candy thrown out at the parade with a personal free hand out. Marian suggested walking down each side of the parade route handing

out a brochure advertising the cyclone open house following the parade and inviting the public to view the renovation. Dean Burmester had the idea of a free pen with "Old Franklin Township Historical Society" written on it. We are open to other ideas.

When Phyllis Dearborn returns home in April she will purchase the Past Perfect Program with the grant money we received for that purpose from Sauk County. It will be necessary for two people to get training on the use of the program. Phyllis & Mary Jayne have volunteered.

Mary Francis Nachreiner made a motion to adjourn & Dean Burmester seconded the motion.

Submitted by Marian Burmester, Director, in the absence of Secretary, Sandy Stiemke.

Agenda of OFTHS for April 3, 08

Call to Order 7:00

Minutes

Treasury report

Unfinished Business:

Cyclone report: Are we on schedule and if not how are we to handle the grant.

Metal book shelves that are on Univ swap shop. Has any one checked them out? Discuss if they would fill the bill at this time.

Set a date to scrub floor by Mary Frances and Mary Jane.

Report from Jim.

Time table for getting floor sealed and what is needed to get it finished by early May.

What needs yet to be done to finish the space, other than staining of windows?

Consider getting the out door sign up for the open house. .

Do we need an ok from the village for the sign?

Report from Mary Jane:

Ceiling stain and sealing, time required to finish the project, help needed...

New Business:

Discussion on exhibit for open house, when we are to get started and what will be needed.

Inventory of what items we will have on hand to work with. Work list of time table needed.

Premier: What are needs prior to open house?

What will we serve?

Brat stand date: Are we to do one or two dates.

Need to get bid from Newmann on getting upstairs electric ready for ceiling lighting and proper outlets for air conditioners.

Discuss light fixtures for upstairs. Style, Number

Treatment of entrance for open house, are we able to get anything done there or leave as is.

Motion for Adjournment.

April 3, 2008 – Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

Vice President Mary Frances Nachreiner, in the absence of President Phyllis Dearborn, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Dean & Marian Burmester, Jim Geishirt, Georgene Hausner, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Sandy, second by Mary Jayne to approve the March 6 emailed minutes.

Treasurer Mary Jayne handed out the Financial Report.

General Fund balance - \$3,944.62

Renovation Building Fund balance - \$4,830.32

Motion by Marian, second by Mary Frances to accept Treasurer's report.

In unfinished business, Marian reported that due to the illness of Phyllis Dearborn, we have requested and received an extension on the cyclone project from Sauk County Arts & Humanities. The extension date is December 1, 2008. She also gave a progress report on the project.

Motion by Mary Frances, second by Georgene to postpone any purchase of metal bookshelves at this time. We will purchase as needed. Sandy had purchased a large wooden bookshelf last fall for OFTHS use.

Jim will see about getting the sign for the outside of the building in time for our open house in July. A permit will be needed from the village of Plain.

Mary Jayne reported on the progress of the ceiling stain and sealing project.

In new business, there was discussion on exhibits for the open house in July, when to get started and what will be needed.

Discussion on a Premier open house for donors to our renovation fund to be continued at the May meeting.

May 17 was designated as a work day/clean up day, starting at 8 a.m.

Sandy said the Lone Rock Area Historical Society would like Old Franklin Township Historical Society to bring a float to the parade on the 4th of July. It will be taken under consideration.

It was decided to work at the brat stand again this year. Mary Frances will check into dates available. Last year's dates were June 15-16 and Sept. 7-8.

Jim will get a bid from Neumann Electric on getting electrical work done for ceiling lighting and proper outlets for the air conditioning upstairs.

Discussion on treatment of the entrance to the lower level of the town hall will be continued at the May meeting.

Motion by Georgene to adjourn, second by Marian.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Sandy Stiemke, Secretary

Agenda of OFTHS for May 1, 08

Call to Order 7:00

Minutes

Treasury report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS;

Marion's report on cyclone book. Discuss any needs and requests she has.

Dean's plaster work, report and what else needs to be done to prep hall way for painting.

Jim's report on painting yet needed to be done,

Progress of sign for front of building with info of any thing needed for village permission.

Mary Frances report on Brat Stand, with dates of June 20th and 21st. If you have a specific time you need to work it needs to get on schedule at this meeting.

Amt. of soda we are to purchase for first wk.end with overage for second wk end in Sept.

Does someone need to touch base with Michael Alexander as to when we be ready for the table he offered to us. Will he need some lead time?

Look over bid from Newman on electric for upstairs, the booklet for presentation that Jim had put together for us states only 6 fan light fixtures for upstairs. What else is needed up there?

NEW BUSINESS:

Do we need to purchase a dehumidifier for the basement for the summer months?

What are going to use for computer work stations in office space. (Tables)

A new mount for the flag on front of building. Perhaps it could be lowered and a little higher end bracket.

Other?

May 1, 2008 – Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

Vice President Mary Frances Nachreiner, in the absence of President Phyllis Dearborn, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall.

Present: Dean & Marian Burmester, Tim Cooper, Jim Geishirt, Georgene and Gene Hausner, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Gene, second by Marian to approve the April 3 emailed minutes.

Treasurer Mary Jayne handed out the Financial Report.

General Fund balance - \$3670.37

Renovation Building Fund balance - \$5927.96

Motion by Gene to accept report as presented, with corrections; Second by Dean.

In unfinished business, Marian gave an update on the cyclone book project. She presented information on cost of printing the book by professional company versus self- printing by the OFTHS.

Dean has been doing needed plasterwork in the hallway to downstairs. Gene will help with the cleaning and painting of this project.

Motion by Jim to go ahead with Neumann Electric's estimate for upstairs electric work; and for Mary Frances to order four fans for upstairs, hallway light, and two fixtures for staging area. Second by Gene.

Jim reported on the painting progress. Jim gave an update on the progress for a sign for the front of the building. He also got an application for a permit to put up a sign and a copy of the village ordinance regarding signs. The cost would be \$65.00. He will take a sample of the sign on paper to the May 14 village meeting.

Clean up day has been changed from May 17 to June 14 8:30 A.M.

Mary Frances reported on the Brat Stand schedule. We are scheduled for June 20 and 21. Friday and Saturday volunteers were noted.

Jim will touch base with Michael Alexander regarding a table he has offered to OFTHS.

In new business, it was decided to wait and see if we would need a dehumidifier for the basement for the summer months. It was also decided to table the purchase of computer workstation equipment until the basement is done.

Dean will get a new mount for the flag on the front of the building and place it lower for easier accessibility.

Georgene and Mary Jayne will take care of obtaining flowers for the barrels in front of the building.

Motion by Gene, second by Marian to adjourn.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Sandy Stiemke, Secretary

Agenda of OFTHS for June 05, 08

Call to order 7:00

Minutes

Treasury Report

Unfinished Business:

Marian's update on Cyclone project

Report on cleaning and painting of entrance, and flag bracket by Dean

Jim's progress on sign and will it be up for open house? Report on table from Michael and alternates to use.

Remember June 14th 8:30 Clean and Set up date.

Mary Jane updates on float for parade and are we going to participate in Lone Rock parade July 4th.

Gene report on findings at Baraboo on attachment of our building to village well house.

Decision on when, what, and who changes the lock for the building.

New Business:

Schedule for brat stand

Discussion of what we are to do for snacks for the open house and what about punch?

Hand outs for the parade

Approval of Marian's work up for an invitation for the open house. Number required.

July election of Officers: With the death of Phyllis we now must elect a new Pres.

What are we to do with the back door, security, appearance, age, amount of cold entering in winter months?

Honor Roll for front entrance for Open House

Furniture from Phyllis's house that was purchased for basement. Need to set a date when we can pick things up from Wayne.

Other:

Adjourn

June 5, 2008 – Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

Vice President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Dean & Marian Burmester, Wayne Dearborn, Jim Geishirt, Georgene & Gene Hausner, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Gene, second by Wayne to approve the May 1 emailed minutes.

The Financial Report prepared by Treasurer Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel was handed out.

General Fund balance - \$3716.37

Renovation Building Fund balance - \$4561.41

Motion by Marian, second by Georgene to accept Treasurer's Report.

In unfinished business, Marian gave an update on the cyclone project. Motion by Gene, second by Wayne to approve the proposal by Marian to have copies made for the cyclone display at the open house at Office Max. Motion carried.

Dean reported that he has put a different bracket on the outside of the building for the flag and is going to make minor adjustments to it. He also reported that the painting of the hallway is going well. He still needs to paint the steps.

Jim reported that he has bought the signboard and finished the sign layout. He will paint the sign.

A reminder that June 14 at 8:30 A.M. will be clean up day in the hall.

Mary Frances reported that Mary Jayne told her the cyclone float will not be ready in time to participate in the Lone Rock parade on July 4.

Gene reported on his findings at Baraboo on the attachment of our building to the village well house. Motion by Gene second by Marian to match the Township of Franklin's cost of the survey of the building.

Discussion on changing the locks on the front door, back door and upstairs door resulted in the decision that we need new locks. Mary Frances will check into a locksmith.

In New business: Mary Frances handed out the schedule for the brat stand June 20-21.

Discussion on the open house on July 19 resulted in the decision for the hours to be 5-7 P.M. We will serve punch and each member should bring a cheese and cracker tray.

Discussion regarding what to hand out at the parade resulted in the decision to hand out pens or pencils, depending on cost. Motion by Gene second by Wayne to purchase pencils or pens for the parade and to pay for the cost of flyers for the parade and open house.

Approval was made of Marian's work up for an invitation for the open house.

Wayne brought a letter from the family regarding the money received in memory of Phyllis for the Old Franklin Township Historical Society's Restoration Fund.

July is the scheduled month for election of officers. This year we will need to elect a President to replace Phyllis, and the 3 year term of one board member is expiring.

Dean will look into getting a new back door for the basement. Also the door going into the basement needs repair.

Marian was asked to look into a format for Honor Roll of donors.

Jim suggested that touch up painting needs to be done and Mary Frances made note of it.

Motion by Gene, second by Dean to adjourn.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Sandy Stiemke, Secretary

No July agenda

July 10, 2008 – Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

Vice President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Dean & Marian Burmester, Jim Geishirt, Georgene & Gene Hausner, Mary Jayne Liegel, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Gene, second by Dean to accept June 5 emailed minutes.

The Financial Report was handed out.

General Fund balance - \$3829.37

Renovation Building Fund balance - \$8100.46

Motion by Gene, second by Georgene to accept Treasurer's report.

In unfinished business, Mary Jayne reported on the plans for the back door of lower level. She suggested we have Paul Robbins of Loganville restore and repair the door. The suggestion was also made to purchase a good storm door to put over it for protection. Motion by Marian, second by Gene to take the door to Paul to have it restored and repaired. Motion carried.

Jim reported that the sign for the outside will be painted by Joan Stevens of Rock Springs. When she is done she will take it to Paul Robbins to have the brackets made for it. Jim said we will need to pay the \$65.00 to the village of Plain for the sign permit. He has the permit at home.

Regarding last month's discussion of refreshments for the open house on July 19 – the minutes should have read "each member to bring a tray of snack type food." Marian reported on the work she has done on the Restoration Donation List for Hall Wall. Motion by Georgene, second by Mary Jayne for Marian to spend up to \$50 to have the donator signs made. Motion carried.

Gene reported his findings on the proposed well house building next door.

Motion by Gene second by Sandy to pay bills presented by Marian for expense of pens for distribution at the parade, and the reproduction of pictures of the cyclone for display in the hall.

Motion by Gene, second by Marian to recognize any expenditures by a member that is donated or contributed.

In election of officers, Mary Frances Nachreiner was elected President, Gene Hausner vice-president, Sandy Stiemke, secretary, Mary Jayne Liegel, treasurer. The director's position was filled by Dean Burmester. Jim Geishirt declined to continue as director. We thanked Jim for his hard work during his years of service as director.

Motion by Gene, second by Marian to adjourn.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Stiemke, secretary

Agenda OF OFTHS FOR AUGUST 7TH 08

Acceptance of emailed min. For July meeting.
Tres. Report

Unfinished Business:

Mary Jane's plans for getting the back door to restorations. What help will be required.

Touch base with Jim on sign.

Down stairs closet: In need of cleaning out and floor sealed, shelves installed, as it is beginning to smell of mold.

Georgene's findings on stamp for post cards we could use for a sale item at the Chile supper.

Gene's report on village board meeting of storage building.

Marian's purchase of program from grant and getting computers set up for assaying.

Dean & Marian's report on findings of how to dispose of unusable computer equipment.

New Business:

Discussion of need for blinds for windows upstairs and downstairs.

Do we want to do insulation for ceiling and floor? If so when.

A need for the building to be open some designated hours for Aug. Sept. and 1st and 2nd wk of Oct.

Someone to look in to purchasing computer tables amt. we are to spend.

Gene to explain, and set up some kind of a budget for our new yr.

Discussion of a new long term plan.

Thoughts on just purchasing a new computer that will be compatible with new program, and use the computer from Jim for research by folks.

Other:

Adjournment:

August 7, 2008 – Minutes
Old Franklin Township Historical Society

President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Dean & Marian Burmester, Jim Geishirt, Gene & Georgene Hausner, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Marian, second by Gene to accept July 10 emailed minutes.

The Financial Report was handed out.

General Fund balance: \$3355.83

Renovation Building Fund balance: \$8533.46

Motion by Gene, second by Dean to accept Treasurer's report.

In unfinished business, Mary Jayne reported that she needs someone to take down the back door on the lower level so she can take it to Paul Robbins to strip, repair and repaint it white. Jim said he would help. It was also suggested that we replace the doorknob with one more in keeping with what the original one would have looked like. We will also need to place some sort of threshold for the door.

Jim reported that the sign being painted by Joan Stevens is just about done. When it is she will take it to Paul Robbins to have the brackets made.

Georgene reported on her findings on the cost of a stamp for postcards we could use as a sale item at the chili supper. It was decided to table this project at this time.

Gene reported on the village board meeting regarding the storage building project adjacent to the hall. It will not be possible to put back in windows to replace the ones that were on the south side of the town hall.

Marian reported that the grant received for purchase of PastPerfect software has no deadline in which to be used. Due to the deadline we are under regarding the cyclone book project, it will be early in 2009 before she will be able to look into this.

Dean reported on their findings regarding how to dispose of unusable computer equipment.

In new business, there was discussion of the need for blinds or shades for the windows for protection from the sun. Mary Frances will do research into appropriate materials. Gene and Georgene will measure the windows upstairs and downstairs.

Discussion on the need for insulation for the ceiling and floor resulted in agreement that we definitely needed insulation in the attic area, and possibly between floors. Gene will check into this.

It was decided to have the building open the third Sunday of these months: August 17, September 21 and October 19, from 11:00 A.M. to 2 P.M. Mary Jayne will work these days.

Georgene will put a notice in the Weekly Home News with this information. Mary Frances will have her telephone number posted on the door of the town hall as the contact person if someone wants to see the town hall by appointment.

Discussion on the purchase of computer tables resulted in a motion by Jim, second by Gene, to authorize Dean and Marian to purchase a bathroom storage unit and computer desk they had seen advertised at Farm and Fleet. Jim will check into desks that will be coming available where he works, and will get one for us, if possible.

Gene presented a form he prepared for setting up a budget for the historical society in the future.

Mary Frances reported that the downstairs windows still need painting or staining. Gene and Mary Jayne will do caulking that needs to be done around the windows.

Our next brat stand dates are September 19 and 20.

It was decided that the problem of the moldy smell in the closet in the basement would be looked into following the adjournment, remove items from the closet and discuss how to deal with the problem.

Motion by Gene, second by Georgene, to adjourn.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Sandy Stiemke, Secretary

AGENDA OF OFTHS FOR SEPT 4TH, 08

Acceptance of e-mailed min. for Aug. meeting

Tres. Report:

Unfinished Business:

Report on back door:

Progress of Sign:

Gene's report on insulation cost

Down stairs closet has been put in order and finalization of project will be done in the next few weeks.

Brat sale: Work schedule will be handed out at the meeting; date is Sept 19 & 20th

M F has disposed of one computer and working on getting rid of the remaining monitor

New Business: Marian would like everyone to come to the meeting with some ideas on a name for the cyclone book.

The date for the chili supper is Nov. 1

Marian's report on budgeting and costs that has to be submitted to Sauk County.

Do we have to inform anyone in State or County of our new board members?

Other:

Adjournment:

Old Franklin Township Historical Society Minutes
September 4, 2008

President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In the Old Franklin Town

Hall: Present: Dean and Marian Burmester, Jim Geishirt, Gene and Georgene Hausner, Mary Jayne

Diehl Liegel, Mary and Ed Prem, and Mary Frances Nachreiner.

A motion was made by Gene Hausner, and seconded by Dean Burmester to accept August 7th minutes as e-mailed.

The cost of painting the OFTHS sign was \$50.00. Paul Robbins donated iron works for the outside sign. A paper plaque will be put up by door to note his donation of iron work for sign.

Two bids were received for the insulation of the second floor ceiling; Kuhse Construction, LLC., and Schluter Construction, Inc. Gene Hausner will follow up with Schluter Construction, Inc. to determine if their 2006 bid is still valid, and report back at the next meeting.

Mary Francis has completed cleaning out the storage area in the basement.

A work schedule for the September 19&20th Brat Stand duties was presented by Mary Francis, and the timetable reviewed by the members attending.

Also discussed was the Chile Supper, which is scheduled for November 1st at the OFTHS. The price of the chile supper will be \$6.00. Marian Burnester will assist with the printing of the tickets for the event.

Three persons from the Plain area were selected to review the final draft of the Cyclone Book being prepared by the OFTHS. They include; Cindy Haag, St Luke's School Principal, Sharon Bettinger, and Maureen Palmer, Village of Plain Librarian. These persons will be contacted by correspondence to confirm the schedule for their review.

Mary Jane Liegel reported on the open house, which was held in August.

There was some discussion regarding the Historical Society assisting with repairing grave markers at St Luke's Cemetery. Gene Hausner will meet with the Cemetery Sexton to review the proposal and report back at a future meeting.

Mary Francis has talked to Cindy Haag, regarding the students at St. Luke's, who want to visit the Old Franklin Township Hall, former voting booth, relating to the voting day of November 4th. There are also other schools, which may be interested in participating in this event. Members of the society will need to assist in the planned visit by the students. Sample ballots will be prepared for the event. The local press will be invited to the event. Township Board member, Ed Prem will be by the voting booth. He recalled going to the Old Franklin Township Building with his father as a boy.

A reminder to all the OFTHS members, that there will be a open house at the newly constructed Billytown Pavalion, at White Mound, on October 11, 2008, in memory of Phyllis Liegel Dearborn, the Society's First President.

There was further discussion what needs to be done before Winter. One of the items discussed included the consideration of purchasing and installing of shades in the building, possibility starting with the basement. Further follow up relating to materials and estimate of cost before the next meeting will be carried out by Gene & Georgene Hausner and Mary Francis.

A motion by Mary Prem, and seconded by Marian Burmester to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Georgene Hausner

AGENDA FOR OFTHS FOR OCT. 3RD 08

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

MINUTES:

TREASURY REPORT:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1: Gene's report on progress of windows and back door.
- 2: Mary Jane's report on open doors for exhibit the 3rd Sun. of Sept.
- 3: Input on brat fry, any suggestions on changes from members that worked.
- 4: Marian's update on cyclone book
- 5: Discussion on method we will use to market the book.
- 6: What were the findings on gas bill from Town?
- 7: Village read water meter, about 500 gals of usage since installation of meter.
Discussion of their request for a key.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mary Jane: Explain proposal presented from library in regards to our exhibit.

Discussion on shades

Request for monies for cleaning supplies

Decision on a method we are to use in accepting items from folks for the museum. Space will soon be an issue.

Membership ok to donate left over soda from brat fry to the dedication of Pavilion for Phyllis on Oct. 11th.

Work list for chili supper (discussion)

Available members to help for election on Nov. 4th. # required, perhaps I can get a couple Red Hatters and Marie Liegel offered to help one time. This may be a good time to ask her if she would be interested to help.

OTHER:

MOTION FOR ADJORNMENT:

Old Franklin Township Historical Society Minutes
October 2, 2008

President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Dean and Marian Burmester, Wayne Dearborn, Jim Geishirt, Georgene Hausner, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Sandy Stiemke.

A motion was made by Marian, second by Dean to accept the September 4, 2008 minutes as emailed with the following change - this sentence should read: Also discussed was the Chili supper, which is scheduled for November 1st at the *Legion*, not *OFTHS*.

Motion by Georgene, second by Marian to accept the Treasurer's report as presented by Treasurer Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel.

The report on the progress of the back door is that Paul Robbins has the door and it may take a month before we get it back. Gene has not had a chance to work on painting the windows.

Motion by Wayne, second by Dean to have Gene Hausner and Jim Geishirt make the decision regarding the insulation project.

Mary Jayne reported that there was a good turnout for the open house at the Old Franklin Town Hall on September 21.

There were no suggestions for improvement on the way we have been running the brat stand. Everyone felt it was working out very well.

Marian reported that the cyclone book is ready to be put in the hands of the three judges for their approval, and brought along their copies to be delivered to them. There was discussion on the method we will use to market the book.

Jim suggested that we look into signs being on Highway 23 identifying the location of Billytown/White Mound. We will discuss at the Pavilion Dedication.

It was reported that we will be getting a credit on our utility bill.

In new business, Mary Jayne explained a proposal presented from the Kraemer Library regarding our exhibit. It was decided at this time to decline the proposal.

Mary Frances reported that she has looked into the different kinds of solar shades available. We will continue to look into different types of shades and cost.

Mary Frances requested that she be paid for cleaning supplies that she has purchased to be used in cleaning OFTH. This was agreed with by all members.

Discussion on a method we should use in accepting donated items for OFTHS, since space will soon be an issue.

The members present agreed to donate the leftover soda from the brat stand to the dedication of the Pavilion for Phyllis on Oct 11.

Discussion on needs for the chili supper and a work list was handed out. Tickets prepared by Marian were distributed to those able to sell tickets prior to the chili supper.

Updates on student voting day on November 4 were reported. Marian has prepared ballots for the students to use.

It was directed to Treasurer Mary Jayne to set up a savings account for OFTHS. This will be 10 % of any income received by OFTHS.

Motion by Marian, second by Georgene to adjourn. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Sandy Stiemke, Secretary

Agenda of OFTHS for Nov.6, 08

Roll Call :

Tres. Report ;

Unfinished Business:

Mary Jane's report on open house Oct. 19, 08

Update on Cyclone book and, printing status.

Report on insulating bids and time table.

Discussion on Chili Supper, any changes members would like to see take place.

MF report on voting held for local school children.

The Town has signed a Hold Harmless for any work done on the wall.

Discussion of savings account to be put into effect from fund raising events.

New Business: Are we going to do any out side decorations , such as a wreath,etc on the building?

Motion for Adjournment:

Old Franklin Township Historical Society Minutes
November 6, 2008

President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Dean & Marian Burmester, Jim Geishirt, Gene & Georgene Hausner, Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Mary & Ed Prem, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Marian, second by Gene to accept October 2, 2008 minutes as emailed. Motion carried.

Motion by Gene, second by Mary Prem to accept the Treasurer's report as presented by Treasurer Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel.

Mary Jayne reported that "student election day" on November 4 at the town hall went very well, with about 250 students from River Valley and Reedsburg school districts participating. She received positive feedback from their teachers.

Marian reported that the cyclone book is at the printers and should be able to be picked up in about a week to ten days. Motion by Gene, second by Mary Jayne to charge \$30.00 for the cyclone book. Motion carried.

Gene reported on the insulating bids and timetable. Motion by Ed, second by Dean to accept the low bid on insulation including venting. Motion carried.

Discussion on the chili supper held on November 1 resulted in the decision to decrease the amount of chili prepared, and look into serving oyster crackers along with the meal. The chili supper was a success.

Discussion on starting a savings account resulted in the decision that 10 per cent of fundraising income from cyclone book sales, chili supper and brat stand should be the sources for the savings account.

In new business, it was reported that the outside wall that had adjoined the well station and is now exposed, will not need any winterproofing.

Motion by Georgene, second by Ed that the Old Franklin Township Historical Society pay for a printer that Marian can use at her home for Old Franklin Township Historical Society work.

The society needs to review the bylaws, and we will plan on doing that in the coming months.

Discussion on outside holiday decorations resulted in suggestions of a pine swag and wreath.

Jim suggested that our next year's hall display be something to do with the economy of the area and the first businesses.

Motion by Jim, second by Dean to adjourn. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Stiemke, Secretary

Agenda of OFTHS for Dec. 08

Roll call:

Sec. Report:

Tress. Report

Unfinished Business:

Review the By Laws: Gene will lead the review:

Discussion of any changes that may be required,
Address how we are to accomplish this and when.

Discuss and decide on the exhibit for 2009

Method to use to acquire material

Talk about some form of teams to make the job easy for all.

Layout a Budget for 2009:

Discuss expectations for expenditures required in the next yr.

Report on out side decorations:

Is help needed, when and time to be decided?

Marion: Explain Sauk County Historical Society letter in regards to our book.

Other:

Motion for Adjournment:

Old Franklin Township Historical Society Minutes
December 4, 2008

President Mary Frances Nachreiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Old Franklin Town Hall. Present: Steve Biggers, Dean & Marian Burmester, Gene & Georgene Hausner, Mary Frances Nachreiner, Mary & Ed Prem, Sandy Stiemke.

Motion by Marian, second by Gene to accept November 6, 2008 minutes as emailed. Motion carried.

Motion by Gene, second by Dean to accept the Treasurer's Report as prepared by Treasurer Mary Jayne Diehl Liegel.

Gene Hausner led us in a review of the by-laws. Gene was asked to draft an amendment regarding board members attendance and officer's attendance of meetings, and bring to the February meeting.

Discussion on the topic for exhibit for 2009, method to use to acquire material, and how to make the job easy for all, resulted in the decision to hold a special meeting on the second Thursday in January 2009 to further discuss and plan the exhibit.

After discussion on a historical society budget for 2009, the decision was made to begin with Gene and Mary Jayne meeting on Sunday, December 7 regarding this.

After discussion, it was decided not to put up any Christmas decorations outside the building due to the construction work next door.

Marian explained the email letter from the Sauk County Historical Society regarding their interest in selling the book we just finished, "May 21st 1918 Cyclone - A Path of Destruction." No decision was made at this time regarding their proposal.

Motion by Mary, second by Ed to adjourn. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Sandy Stiemke, Secr