ELIOT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting for February 6, 2012

John F. Hill Grange Hall, Eliot, Me.

Denny Lentz called the meeting to order with 38 in attendance. He welcomed guests attending the meeting.

Secretary's Report – Helen Sullivan read the minutes of the January meeting. They were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report – Richard Bogh read the Treasurer's Report. The checking account balance is \$1,928.22 and the savings account balance is \$17,888.75 as of 2/6/12. Report was approved as read.

The Board of Directors had nothing new to report.

Correspondence secretary was absent.

Membership chairman, Sylvia Moynahan stated that members need to pay their dues.

Program chairman, Carol Zamarchi, said the programs for this year are almost full and doing fine.

Collections chairman, Julie Johnson, said they had worked at Tobey's and had been given some Old Eliots from the Willis family. As we have a full set and many of these are duplicates, it was suggested that some extra copies be given to each school for the history teachers to use. Any Old Eliots that pertain to the library should be given to the library. Anyone interested in purchasing Old Eliots that are duplicates can contact Julie Johnson.

Building committee chairman, Paul Johnson, said there was nothing to report.

PR/Publicity Chair – Carolyn Bogh stated they are seeking people who attended a one-room schoolhouse. Contact Carolyn is you know of anyone.

Fund Raising Chair – Cynthia Sullivan said the committee has plans for an Antique Appraisal with Hap Moore on March 24 at the Methodist Church from 11-4. A sign-up sheet will be circulated for donations of finger foods during the appraisal. The committee is also working on a House Tour slated for May 12. More information will be forthcoming. This committee stated that there will be no yard sale this year.

As Jeanette Paul and Helen Goransson were absent there were no reports from the Education or Grants Committees.

Zip Zamarchi stated there was nothing new from the Building Planning Committee.

New Business – Zip Zamarchi said we had an opportunity to purchase three used glass display cases measuring 6' x 3'x 2' for \$200 each which would be very useful when we have a permanent home. Much discussion followed and some folks thought one or two could be used to display some of our collections now at the bank, town office or grange. After a lengthy discussion it was voted to purchase two display cases and perhaps someone else would purchase the other one. It was approved that the society would purchase two cases.

See Rosanne Adams for info about cleaning/document more cemeteries.

It was moved to make a donation of \$100 to the Methodist Church in Jeanette Paul's name for the use of the church for the appraisal fund raiser. Seconded and approved.

Jeanette Paul had recently written a poem about the Memorial Bridge which Carolyn Bogh read to the society.

A donation of \$50 in memory of Florence Moulton was received from Max Demian, her grandson. This was sincerely appreciated and thanks was sent to him.

Carolyn Bogh announced that the Friends of the Library were holding a Red, White and Chocolate Sale at the library on February 13 & 14. She extended an invitation to all to stop by the library at this time.

It was also announced that a woman in Eliot is quite ill and a fundraiser sponsored by the Teachers Association will be held at the high school where books and food will be sold. This will help with expenses for her.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:30 and refreshments were served by Cindy Lentz and Helen Sullivan.

Mark Leavitt was introduced and brought us the history of Fort Foster with slides and a thorough knowledge and love of this famous place. His illustration and talk was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Sullivan, Secretary