## Waterbury Historical Society

## Annual Meeting – April 25, 2018

## **American Legion Hall**

The annual meeting was preceded at 5:30 PM by a roast beef dinner with 45 members and public attending. After the dinner 5 additional people attended the meeting and program.

The meeting commenced at 6:30, Barbara Farr, presideing

Treasurer Paul Willard reported on the financial status of the society and presented the 2018 budget. Theresa Wood questioned the lack of a balanced budget. Paul will research her query. The report and budget was approved.

Barb gave an overview of the past years business of the society in particular the work being done with PastPerfect and entering our collection in the database.

Jane Willard reported on the nomination committee. The following were elected to fill offices and terms: Director Jack Carter (2021), Vice President Jim Walton (2020), Secretary Cheryl Casey (2020). Anne Imhoff and Josette Metayer were nominated from the floor to serve on the Program Committee. Lindy Boudreau and Nancy Murphy, who are leaving the Program Committee, were thanked for their service.

Curator Jack Carter reported that in the past year the 18<sup>th</sup> century Abel Hutchins/Amasa Pride tall clock that is in the front meeting room of the Janes House has been totally rehabilitated. Jan Gendreau led the effort and she was thanked her determination to have it rehabilitated. Bill Shepeluk was also thanked for his weekly winding of the time piece and keeping it on time. The other project is the refresh of the community room at the Waterbury Train Station. WHS is partnering with Revitalizing Waterbury in the project. The refresh will be an "annex" of sorts for WHS and will highlight Waterbury history and as a visitor center. The project will be completed in early May. Jack also mentioned that the museum will be open the last Saturday of June, July, August and September.

Betty Jones thanked the Legion for preparing and serving the dinner. She also mentioned that the annual Ghost Walk will be held in Hope Cemetery on May 28<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Day) at 11 AM and will be a remembrance of the 1918 Influenza Epidemic. She also prepared a wonderful display of 60 years of WHS and encouraged everyone to take time to look at it after the program.

Jane Willard is retiring from the Board of Directors after many years of service. She was recognized and thanked with a gift certificate from Evergreen Gardens which was wrapped in a beautiful hand woven towel made by Jan Gendreau.

Betty Jones turned the program over to David Luce who was master of ceremonies of the power point presentation "Celebrating 60 Years of the Waterbury Historical Society". Using photographs and memorabilia from the archives Barb Farr and Jack Carter compiled the tribute to the society.

After the presentation Jane Willard, Jill Chase and Cindy Parks recalled the roles their parents played in the early days of the society. Betty Jones read a remembrance by Brian Lindner of his mother's role in the society.

Meredith Wood Rogers was in attendance and recognized and being a charter member. Lindy Boudreau prepared a nice handout of interesting articles celebrating the past 60 years.

John Malter mentioned that the NQID celebration will be on June 30 and perhaps the society might do a float for the parade. This year the parade begins at 4PM and all the festivities will be held in the Village and at the State Complex.

Al Lewis mentioned that Sandy, his wife, visited Florilla Ames and that she is doing well at the age of 107.

The meeting ended around 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Carter, outgoing Secretary