

January 21, 2024

The Tunbridge Historical Society met in the Town Hall with 10 people present. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were given and approved.

Baptist Church - We received the State of Vermont Historic Preservation grant. The work needs to be done by December 31, 2025. It is a matching grant but we must pay everything up front and then we will be reimbursed. We are working under the auspices of the Tunbridge Church. Maybe we should have a thermometer or church steeple to show how much we have collected towards this project.

Cemeteries - A grant has been sent to VOCA but we don't know if we'll get it this year or not as it may have been sent in too late.

501c3 - It has been determined that we don't need a lawyer for this as we should be able to do this on our own.

The plaques were done by the Hartford Career Center and look great. Now we just need to get them installed.

Tunbridge Speaks - July 9 is the date at the Tunbridge Church after the ice cream social.

250th grant - We received word that we passed the first round. Now we need to apply again with more details. It's \$1000 toward a bus tour of various sites around town to showcase different aspects of the Revolutionary War. The selectboard passed a resolution to commemorate our involvement in the war.

Memorial Day - We will be celebrating the veterans who signed up from Tunbridge or were buried in our cemeteries. I have found the names, ranks and branch of the service but need pictures and where they served. Any help is appreciated.

Genealogy fair - March 23 from 9 - 4. We will need help to talk with folks who come to see our display. Nancy Howe is coordinating the research on the Mormon farm which was world renowned for their jerseys and other lands that the Mack/Smith families owned in the area.

Raffle - Nancy Howe is working on a top with it being ready for Town Meeting. She also has a Sno-Cat measuring stick to measure the snow and 2 ox bookends. We will need staffing of the raffle for the school and town meetings.

Lydia - The new shelving is in and being put to use. She just keeps working on things like refiling misfiled items.

Flea Market - The Historical Society will have a table to move some things that are duplicates or we don't need - town reports, dishes, puzzles, gun cabinets, lawn chairs, etc.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine A. Howe, secretary