Falmouth Historical Society Board Meeting Falmouth Memorial Library January 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President, Scott McLeod.

Those present were: President, Scott McLeod; Vice President, Jeannie Madden; Secretary, Betsy Jo Whitcomb; and Directors: Mark Stevanovic, Ann Gagnon, Bev Knudsen, Barbara McLeod, and Maryellen Tetreau. Those absent were: Colleen Donovan and Janice Delima, who both had other scheduling conflicts.

The Secretary's report of November 25, 2014 was read and accepted.

There was a discussion of vacant offices and committees. We are critically in need of a Treasurer. Names were tossed around and Scott will contact Dick Terhune and Sue Geyer ASAP and see if either of them would take that position. Mark agreed to be the Facilities Manager of the Museum and Carol Kauffman has agreed to be Membership Chairman. She also has agreed to be Asst. Treasurer, but a decision on the Asst. Treasurer's position was put off until we get a Treasurer. Maryellen agreed to be Chairman of the Collections Committee. Bev was asked if she would work on being a liaison to some of our older, former active members and perhaps revive the card parties. Sheri Fistal has agreed to be our Master Gardner for the museum.

Jeannie reported that the next program will be at Blueberry Commons at 2 PM on February 6, 2015. Carol Manchester will present a program about a civil war ancestor. It was also suggested that Donna Lee would be a great, light program. Jeannie will look into having her in April.

The status of the newsletter was discussed. It was decided that we should put one out around the 15th of March, June, and September this year. The deadline for articles will be the 6th of the month when the newsletter will be produced.

Strategic Planning session: Jeannie told about Erin (Cadigan) Bishop, Director of Maine Archives & Museums who is willing to put on a charrette/workshop for us to help us define our goals. Beside the Board, past members and friends will be

invited to this program. The date will probably be Saturday, April 18 or 25. Date and time will be confirmed with Erin and the membership will be notified.

Timber clearing: Scott reported that he has talked with Bob Shafto and it appears that the timbering at the museum that was to be done this winter probably will not get done at this point as the town is having a hard time finding someone to cut the timber. Scott then went on to talk about his dream of having an amphitheater in back of the barn area of the museum where the land has a natural slope or have some other venue at the museum for theater and/or musical productions for the town to enjoy.

The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 6:45 PM at the Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Jo Whitcomb, Secretary