

## Glocester Heritage Society Minutes 10-17-2022

### Pledge to the Flag

Correspondence included a thank you from Chepachet Union Church for \$50.00 donation in memory of Dave Lohr. A thank card from the Beltram Family for the GHS hosting the dedication of a memorial bench honoring Henry and Glennis Beltram. Also, Chris Long, engraver of the bench, in lieu of payment, donated \$500.00 to perpetuate the Job Armstrong gardens.

The Secretary's Report of 9-19-2022 was accepted as read.

Under the Treasurer's Report, the previous months check registers were available. A separate account was opened at Navigant under a Business Money Market for the Master Gardeners. The Town Budget will be voted on October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Center. The treasurer's Report was accepted as read.

Under Archives, Edna Kent reported the houses saved since 1967 from foreclosure or demolition through Heritage Society efforts. Also, the Jamin/Bates family will be contacted regarding their request for information in a past newsletter.

The Historic Cemetery Committee has completed 29 weeks of clean up and maintenance of a 39 week schedule. This includes some Saturday cleaning events. The State wall project on Rt 44 is delayed due to some compliance regulations. Bill Brown spoke to the new leadership of the Land Trust regarding cooperation on common interest projects in the future.

Karen Lambe reported on a very successful Master Gardener's Annual Plant sale at the Job Armstrong Store on Sept. 24. Karen thanked Dan McGrail for providing and placement of the Beltram Memorial bench and Chris Long for his engraving work. The Master Gardeners and Bill Brown placed Gertie the Garden Witch and Gus the bird at the fence and arbor of the Job Armstrong Store as the GHS entry to the Scarecrow Festival.

Bill Brown and Charlie Wilson will winterize the Reuben Mason House.

Under Old Business, the Committee for the 2023/2024 Nominations and Election was appointed. Chris Sederbach and Pam Waterman were appointed.

Anyone wishing to be nominated for this election can email Chris at [csederbach@yahoo.com](mailto:csederbach@yahoo.com) or Pam at [pwastro1@aol.com](mailto:pwastro1@aol.com) before next month's election meeting on November 21, 2022 at 6:00pm at the Evans or attend the meeting to submit your name. The elected offices are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary.

Future events and fundraising were discussed among members present with many suggestions and ideas to be followed up at the November and January meetings.

Our speaker at last month's meeting Mike Callan will give a presentation at a future event highlighting the West, Steere and Tourtelott family trees.

The GHS will be participating in "Trick or Treat on Main St" on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 12-3. Volunteers are welcome to help distribute treats.

The GBA and Chepachet Village merchants, crafters and artists will be sponsoring Candle Light Shopping on Thursday nights in December from 6-9. The GHS encourages our friends and members to shop local for the Holidays.

Under Open Forum, Charlie Wilson, had a visitor from the Lidia Slocum Family visit the historic Town Trader.

Motion was made and accepted to adjourn.

The next meeting will be on November 21 6:00pm at the Evans Schoolhouse