NOTES OF ANNUAL MEETING, JUNE 9, 2022

The Sharon Historical Society held its Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 6:30 PM, in the sanctuary at the First Congregational Church in Sharon, attended by close to 100 people in person, with some others joining remotely on Zoom.

President Brad Larson opened the meeting with a review of the year’s activities and a positive assessment of cooperative work by the Board and members. Vice President Don Williams added further description and offered thanks to the many members who had helped make it a successful year, despite ongoing major costs and delays in restoring the 16 High Street elevator to function. Treasurer Carolyn Weeks answered questions about her previously circulated annual financial statement, which showed receipts since the last annual meeting of $7558.26, disbursements of $19,077.08, and total assets, including designated and restricted funds, of $204,772.99. (Itemized report on Page 3)

Annual elections of officers and directors were held. 81 printed ballots were issued to members who checked in at the start of the meeting, with instructions to cast up to one vote for each officer position and up to 10 votes for directors (the maximum size of the Board allowed by bylaws.) Votes were counted by neutral volunteers during the program and made known at the reception following the meeting. The 2022-23 Board members elected were:

Officers: Brad Larson, President; Don Williams Vice President; Carolyn Weeks, Treasurer;

Beth McGregor, Secretary; Doug Southworth, Chief Archivist.

Directors: Maria Anderson, Joseph Blansfield, Marie Cuneo, Debbie DeBassio, Hana Jenner, Jimmie Keating, Paul Lauenstein, Jason Phelps, Shirley Schofield, and Ken Zaniewski.

(Vote tally on Page 2)

The program, arranged by Program Committee Chair Gary Sullivan, was an insiders’ look at the long-running and popular PBS television series “Antiques Road Show.” The featured speakers were Sam Farrell, Antiques Roadshow senior producer (and Sharon resident); jewelry specialist Kevin Zavian, and clock and furniture specialist (and SHS member) Gary Sullivan. Their richly illustrated commentary on the show, including chronicles of spectacular highlights and finds, along with some humorous incidents, held the audience rapt.

The meeting adjourned at 9 PM, and some hardy attendees headed over to the museum to enjoy refreshments.

Special thanks are due to Gary and the other presenters, to the Congregational Church and its minister, the Rev. Heike Werder, for accommodating us on short notice after a reservation at the Community Center fell through and for assisting us with setup, to volunteer vote counters Jane Desberg and Karen Sprung, and to Joe Blansfield and Don Williams for handling the complex technical demands of the hybrid program.

Beth McGregor, Secretary

**SHARON HISTORICAL SOCIETY ELECTION BALLOT TALLY, JUNE 9, 2022**

(An asterisk\* indicates a person currently serving in the position.)

PRESIDENT: 75\_\_\_\_ Brad Larson\*

0\_\_\_\_ write in

VICE PRESIDENT: 70\_\_\_\_Donald Williams\*

0\_\_\_\_write in

SECRETARY: 77\_\_\_\_ Elisabeth McGregor\*

0\_\_\_\_ write in

TREASURER: 72\_\_\_\_ Carolyn Weeks\*

0\_\_­ write in

CHIEF ARCHIVIST: 72\_\_\_ Douglas Southard\*

0 \_\_\_ write in

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

51 \_\_\_ Maria Anderson\*

50 \_\_\_Joseph Blansfield\*

54\_\_\_\_ Marie Hurley Cuneo\*

48\_\_\_\_ Debbie Debassio\*

40\_\_\_\_ Carol Gannon\*

54\_\_­\_\_ Hana Jenner\*

56­­\_\_\_ Jimmy Keating\*

59\_\_\_ Paul Lauenstein\*

49\_\_\_ Jason Phelps

54\_\_\_ Shirley Schofield\*

27\_\_\_ Ken Zaniewski

1\_\_\_ write in: Chester Johnson

1\_\_\_ write in: Jean Zaniewski

1\_\_\_ write in: Karen Connors.

Treasurer’s Report to the Annual Meeting June 9, 2022

(Activity since last Annual Meeting September 30, 2021)

Receipts:

Dues 1,824.00

Donations 177.00

Memorial Donations 1,020.00

Ways and Means 469.25

Spring Market and

Flea Market 2,775.00

Newsletter Ads 900.00

Donations for SREA 200.00

Royalty 2.50

Pay/Pal Donation 10.42

Interest 180.09

TOTAL 7,558.26

Disbursements:

Eversource/Electric 956.81

Eversource/Gas 1,268.94

Town of Sharon/Water 190.29

Comcast 1,264.57

The Hartford/Insurance 2,684.96

ADT Security System 687.77

Elevator 7,056.25

Easton Electronics 400.00

Kennedy Carpet/Cleaning 200.00

Post Office/Box/Permit 441.00

Blue Mustang Press 301.00

Wild Apricot 110.00

NEMA Dues 25.00

Display Supplies 97.10

SPEA Event 300.00

Archiving Supplies 353.07

Market Supplies 224.50

Memorial Even Supplies 24.42

Newsletter/Print/Post 886.72

Account and Fees 854.69

Venue Rentals (2) 525.00

Program 225.00  
 TOTAL 19,077.09

Accounts: Sharon Credit Union CD 8,129.41  
 Sharon Credit Union Checking 10,801.00

Sharon Credit Union Share 69.93

Dedham Savings Pass Book 2,450.00

Dedham Savings/Memorial 8,500.00  
 Dedham Savings/Donnell 170,168.00

Veterans Grant Balance 3,870.20

Post Office account 234.69

PayPal 549.76 TOTAL 204,772.99