Falmouth Historical Society  
Board Meeting  
Falmouth Memorial Library 
June 7, 2016

Those present: President, Jeanne Madden; Secretary, Betsy Jo Whitcomb; and Directors: Ann Gagnon, David and Suzanne Farnham, and Rich Meserve.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by our President, Jeanne Madden.

Jean announced that we would be co-sponsoring a program on June 23, 2016 with the library where John W Babin will discuss his book about Henry Wadsworth Longfellow growing up in Portland. The program will begin at 6:30 PM at the library.

There was a discussion of having a table at the election on June 14th. Jeanne will set up the table on Monday, June 13th and will work most of the day on Tuesday with help needed to respite her. Rich said he was available after school. Anyone available should be in touch with Jean.

Jeanne thinks we will be able to get more bookcases from the library to match the ones we have at the museum, but it is unknown when we can get them from the library at this point...it may be when they move for the renovations.

Jean announced that all the paperwork is now signed and Colleen is officially our Treasurer.

Betsy announced that starting in July (July 12, 2016) the office/museum will be open from 9AM to 4PM each Tuesday. Ann will be there in the morning with Judy and Maytha assisting and Betsy and Suzanne will be there in the afternoon. Jeanne will get an “OPEN” flag to put on the building when we are there.

There was a discussion of the need for repair work to be done on the handicap ramp and Rich will see what needs to be done.

Betsy said she has been in contact with Bob Shafto from the town’s Conservation Committee to see if the trees we had taken down had anything to do with the
flooding we had last winter and what we need to do to restore that land the way we want it to be. She will report back when she has information.

There was talk of having a pizza party to thank Rich’s students for the work they have done to help us move from Whipple Farm House.

Dues statements will be going out soon with a plea to pledge $50 for our 50th Anniversary. Ann is helping with envelopes.

We had a discussion of getting a Nominating Committee started and the need for officers and directors for the next year. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

The next meeting will be at the library on Tuesday, July 12th at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Jo Whitcomb
Secretary