Minutes of OCHS General Membership and Board Meeting—May 11, 2021

Meeting Called to order at 7:08 by Scott Broughton. Present: Ken Bush, June King, Mary Alice Seelbinder, Candee Allen, Judy Miracle, Kathy Gauthier, Dean Salley, Mary Kassuba, Roger Miracle, Grace Geisler, Pat George and Trevor Hall. Absent with notice: Shauna Quick. Eight board members present.

Pledge of Allegiance—All participated

Approval of Agenda— As amended—Judy motioned and Candee seconded—motion carried.

Minutes—Months presented: General Membership/Board for August 11, 2020, Board for October 1, 2020, and March 25, 2021 approved as presented—Judy motioned and Scott seconded—motion carried. There was no meeting for General Membership/Board for September 2020, October 2020, November 2020 and December 2020 due to COVID19 restrictions.

Treasurer's Report— Months presented: 9/30/2020, 10/31/2020, 11/30/2020, 12/31/2020, 1/31/2021, 2/28/2021, 3/31/2021 and 4/30/2021—Scott motioned and Mary seconded—motion carried.

Celebration of Ron Sutton's Life—Celebration will be held at Crossman Park from 2:00pm to 4:00pm on June 12, 2021. OCHS has collected $925.00 in donations. The larger anvil is being considered to be dedicated in his name. Tom, the blacksmith said that a larger anvil was needed, than the one OCHS had. The rest of the donations are to be used for the daily operations/education/upkeep of the Blacksmith Shop. Flowers were sent to his daughters in December 2020.

Celebration of Sue Yates Life—A plant will be purchased by OCHS, in lieu of flowers. Sue would have wanted a living plant that Jeff will have at their farm. June will take care of the purchase for OCHS.

Village of Ortonville Liaison with OCHS—Pat George is the new liaison.

Inventory of Garments in closet off Office on the second floor—Trevor Hall is creating an inventory of the garments, more information to follow on this project.

Painting of the Old Mill—The Old Mill paint is peeling again. Pat gave an update of the situation. Six years ago the Village spent $22,000 to paint the building. In 2021 the lowest bid on the project came in at $32,000. There is no money for this work to be done in the Village budget at this time. The matter will be revisited in the future.

Wayfinding Signs in Village—Pat stating the Village Planning Commission is putting together information on having user friendly signs to guide people to locations/businesses in the Village. OCHS can let Planning Commission create a design for the Old Mill or OCHS can do it. OCHS can have a choice. There was no decision on this topic by OCHS.

Blacksmith Update—Mary Alice and Mary gave reports on the project. The building is getting furnished so Tom, a local blacksmith, can do demonstrations and education of blacksmithing. Mason Lodge is donating two benches, one on each side of the outside demonstration area, and dedicating them in Ron

Sutton's memory. A bench was located in the basement of the Old Mill and will be also used in the Blacksmith Building. Mary stated that a Blacksmith Volunteer Contract is being drawn up to spell out what the expectations of both the blacksmith and OCHS. This will be brought to the OCHS Membership for discussion and approval.

Cleaning of Old Mill—Employment Options Unlimited will be cleaning Old Mill starting May 14, 2021 and clean weekly on Thursday and Friday from 9:00am to noon. At least one member of the OCHS will be at the Old Mill to let the crew and their supervisor in the building and stay. Since there is not a charge for this service it would be nice for OCHS to provide a prepackaged treat, such as cookies on a weekly basis to the workers. No decision was made on this idea of a treat.

Graduation Pictures—Ron Sutton had updated the pictures of the Ortonville and Brandon Graduating Classes as a display. This display is very popular with people visiting the Old Mill. Now is the time to add the Class of 2021 to the display of the graduating classes. Candee and/or Judy said they would donate the cost of the class composite. Note that not all the class pictures are on display, due to fact we can't locate a class composite. Check out the display and if you have some information as to how to get a class composite of a missing year please let someone on the OCHS Board know.

Election of President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Trustees for term ending October 2022—Note this is a shorter term than normal due to COVID19 not allowing a vote in October 2020. Roger motioned that the election by a unanimous consent, due to fact only one person was running for each position. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously. President—Judy Miracle, Treasurer—Scott Broughton, Secretary—June King, Trustees—Ken Bush, and Kathy Gauthier. Thank you to Candee Allen who is retiring and was our Treasurer since 2017. Thank you to Scott Broughton who was our COVID19 President.

August Picnic—Still under consideration—COVID19 restrictions will determine what we can do. Judy mentioned a Birthday Party for people of age 80+ might be a possibility. No light lunch, just ice cream and cake. Wait and see on this item.

Spring Garden Show—Need a volunteer to be with Grace in Old Mill on May 15, 2021. Ken will not be at the Old Mill on that date and are getting visitors due to the show in town. Kathy, Mary and Candee said they can be there some part of the four hours we are to be open. 10:00am to 2:00pm

Home Histories—OCHS has been getting requests on the history of older homes in the Village. We are, and have been collecting information on the homes. If anyone has information on an older home in the Village please let Ken know so OCHS can be sure we have that information in our records.

June 2021 and July 2021 Meeting—Meeting will be held at Old Town Hall, due to larger space and ability to social distance, on second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm—Ken motioned and Scott seconded —motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by June King, Secretary