

**Southampton Railroad Station Society**  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, May 17, 2012

Board Attendees:	<u>Present</u>	<u>Excused</u>
	Jim Rose	Jim Day
	Jon Frey	
	Mark Liss	
	Leon Duminiak	
	Regina Frey	
	Frank Baldwin	
	Charlie Liberto	

Members/Public Attendees: Don Reese, Ed Miller

Topics of Discussion:

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Utility Services – Electric power has been turned on at the station as of May 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is not known if platform lights are operable. Jon Frey indicated that he will investigate the type of lamp and ballast in the existing lights and recommended that the society sign up with Stream Energy.
- SEPTA – no activity.
- Insurance – no activity.
- Station Society Website – John Frey reported that he updated the photo gallery on the website which received about 267 visits in the past month.
- Special Events/Activities – Jon Frey reported that he registered the society for the Southampton Days. Don Crabtree of the RCT&HS is confirmed for bringing the Camelback for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. According to Regina Frey, recent ticket sales for the Fall NH&I RR Excursion stands at a total of 10 of which 2 were purchased on-line and the other 8 by mail. Charlie Liberto indicated that the Holiday Railfest is confirmed for Saturday, December 8, 2012.
- Grants – the NRHS grant application has been submitted. Grant awards will be announced by the NRHS in late June concurrent with their National Convention. Jon Frey stated that he contacted NARF. His impression is that they are more interested in funding projects that are further along in the restoration process.
- Site Sign – Jon Frey indicated that he will explore the feasibility of utilizing the coin box stations for mounting a small sign which explains the history and significance of the station, similar to a historical marker.
- Fundraising – work will continue in soliciting local businesses for support.
- Adjacent Development Project – Toner made a presentation to the Board of Supervisors of revised plans which include his intended access driveway on Second Street Pike.

- Site Work/Activity – Jon Frey reported that he has been in contact with North Hills Construction requesting them to develop cost estimates for the replacement of the upper and lower roofs, which shall include replacement of rotten rafters. Jon also indicated that someone was going to donate a lawn mower to the society.
- Station Model Kit – Leon Duminiak reported that he is seeking a source for new roof shingle material.
- Site/Building Issues – Jon Frey reported that a few of the grommets on the excursion banner have pulled out. He will look into getting a grommet repair kit.
- Village Market – Regina Frey indicated that this year's market will be set up behind the Starbucks. The market will be held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. The market will still support the station restoration project and plans to continue to donate proceeds as available.
- Committees – no activity.
- Business Cards – Regina Frey presented two versions of a business card. She will finalize the design based on input received from board members.
- Newsletter – Jon Frey indicated that the Spring 2012 issue of the newsletter was nearing completion.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Meeting Minutes – The meeting minutes of April 19, 2012 were approved as submitted.
- Treasurer's Report – Regina Frey reported that the current balance in the society's account is \$3,224.09. Recent deposits included a total of \$350 with an \$8.10 expense for postage stamps.
- Membership – Regina Frey reported that she received two memberships at upgraded membership levels.
- Security/Fire Alarm – new society member Ed Miller offered to install a security and fire alarm system in the station free of charge and will pay the cost of the first year of monitoring service. He indicated that two phone lines were required for commercial uses.
- Next Board Meeting – the board will next meet on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at the Upper Southampton Township Building beginning at 7:45pm.