## Galway Preservation Society March 7, 2016

Attendance: 17 members, 4 guests

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Richard English, who lead the Pledge of Allegiance and thanked Sue Surdyka, Chairman of the Refreshment Committee and members M. L. Kopper and Linda Bobar for providing the baked goods, and Sue, Linda and Virginia Sawicki for the beverages.

He then asked for a moment of silence in memory of Mildred Hathaway, former President of the organization who was also a founding member. Mildred passed on February 10<sup>th</sup>. We have purchased a copy of the *Lost Industries of Saratoga County* in her memory, and Ray David prepared our traditional Memorial Bookplate for the Galway Public Library.

- The Secretary's Minutes, prepared by Martha Brandow, were read by Mary Lynn Kopper as Martha was visiting her new grandchild and unable to attend the meeting. Motion was made to approve the Minutes as read by Virginia Sawicki, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dusty Rhodes. Carried.
- Treasurer's report was given by Linda Carpenter (copy attached) All accounts are in order, and Margie Prasek made the motion that the report be filed. Carried.

## **President then called for Committee Reports:**

- The Nominating Committee was announced: Mary Lynn as Chairman, members: Sue Surdyka, Carol Schweizer, and Virginia Sawicki.
- Three one-year Officer's positions up for election (President, Vice President and Secretary), One three-year board position up for election as well.
- Please contact Mary Lynn if you are interested in serving or wish to nominate someone for those positions. The Committee will announce candidates at the April meeting, with the election in May.

<u>Next Meeting:</u> Mary Cuffe Perez will moderate a program on "The Corner Store. Stories of the Galway Market", with several members of our community participating. The meeting will be held Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m.

Motion made by Don Carpenter to adjourn - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Neil Goes.

Public Announcements: None.

Introduction of Program: "Saratoga Springs - It all began with the water". Presentation by Charles Kuenzel of Saratoga Tours (his partner was unable to attend), but he did an interesting discussion on the "Health" connection with the waters of the area, and how it drew people to Saratoga that might not have come for the other more social benefits. Those included George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Mae West, Diamond Jim Brady, and many visitors in between, including those who were from varied backgrounds and countries overseas who left their mark on different parts of the area. Tracking the waters to the faults and beyond to their sources helped to make the program most interesting.

M.L.Kopper