

May 2, 2016 *Galway Preservation Society Monthly Meeting*

24 members and 1 guest present

Richard called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked Phyllis Ryan for bringing baked goods and Sue Surdyka for also bringing baked goods as well as a beverage. He also thanked Virginia Sawicki for providing the coffee.

*Old Business* - **Secretary Minutes** from the April 4 meeting were read and Virginia Sawicki made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded and approved. The **Treasurer's Report** was also read and Ron Surdyka made a motion to accept it which was seconded and approved. Richard read a letter from Jim Denison regarding last month's program on the Galway Store and thanked the GPS for it.

*Committee Updates* - **Nominations** closed last month for the Officer/Board election. The secretary cast one ballot for the slate of candidates which was seconded and approved. The officers for next year are: Richard English (president); Mary Cuffe-Perez (vice president); Martha Brandow (secretary). Linda Bobar is the new trustee. There was no motion required for bank signatories since there was no change in officers. Virginia is circulating a sign-up sheet for volunteers to march in the **Memorial Day** Parade and for manning the table at the Village Park. Sue and Ron Surdyka will be decorating the gazebo. The **Annual Picnic** will be held at the Town Hall starting at 6pm. Sue Surdyka is circulating a sign-up sheet for food. The group activity will be a historical trivia game focused on Galway local history. Phyllis Keeler, Tom Cwikala, Arlene Rhodes and Richard English worked on putting it all together. Several changes were planned by the Glenville Hills Garden Club concerning the **flower barrels**. Some barrels are being re-arranged and the Garden Club is taking more leadership in the watering of the barrels. The sign-up sheet for watering was filled tonight. Don Carpenter shared an old tool – a wagon odometer, used to determine distances between Post Offices so that postage rates could be determined. Don Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded and approved. Virginia introduced the speaker, Courtney Burns who did a presentation on "The History of the NYS Military Museum."

Respectfully submitted, Martha Brandow, secretary