

Newbury Historical Society
Minutes of Annual Meeting
Sunday, August 2, 2015

Bill Weiler welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

Margie Weiler read the minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 9, 2014. The minutes were accepted as read.

Claire Vannatta presented the Treasurer's Report which showed for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2015 income of \$4715.467, expenses of \$3508.05, and a final balance of \$24,150.22

Marilyn Soper presented the Membership Report. So far 90 members have renewed for the current membership year, and 35 members from last year have not yet renewed. She requested that mailing addresses be kept current and email addresses be added or kept current.

Bill Weiler updated the membership on three projects recently undertaken by the So. Newbury Historical Committee:

Newspaper Digitization: contributed to a Richards Library project to digitize past issues of the Argus from 1868 to 2015; these can be searched and read online.

Visiting the cellar holes in Newbury and creating maps of each

Bill Weiler also urged members to take more active roles in the Society: there is an open seat on the Board; there are many opportunities to transcribe records and do research. Board members will be glad to train volunteers.

Gay Sheary reported for the Nominating Committee that the terms of Deane Geddes, Margie Weiler, and Bill Weiler are expiring this year, that all were willing to serve again, and nominated them for terms ending in 2018. There being no other nominations, these candidates were elected.

Bill Weiler called for and received a motion to adjourn—all in favor.

Following the meeting, Bill introduced long-time member and active contributor Tracy Messer who gave a talk on *Vanishing Newbury*. He showed, by using information from maps, photographs, and personal inspection, which of the houses in the 1858 County map of Newbury probably have been lost. He demonstrated by use of sophisticated computer tools how to access information about the buildings in each section of Newbury.

Refreshments followed.

Respectfully submitted.
Margie Weiler, Secretary