**Annual Membership Meeting Minutes**

11/11/2024 @ Carversville United Church of Christ

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. after an hour of social time and appetizers. Lori welcomed all members and introduced the Board. Lori White (President), Marc Steifel (VP), Laura Viehwegger (Treasurer), Rhonda Heffern (Secretary), Kathy Stein, Jim Davock, Sarah Weikert, Vicki Ghiz, and Elizabeth Gabrielson (absent).

Lori reviewed the activities for 2024:

* Published 2 newsletters covering topics of interest both historic and current
* Maintained website highlighting historic homes and oral histories, captured photos of events, and outline of events calendar
* Hosted multiple Sips on the Square socials over the summer
* Held 2nd walking tour of the Five Mills along the Paunacussing Creek led by Kurt Leasure, with a wrap up social hour at the 1740 House
* Brought back after 19 years an old favorite, the Road Rally, led by the Viehwegger family. It was a sold out event with 20 teams. Wrap up event held at the new Stockton Inn. It was won by Brittany Leopold and Dan Dittmer.
* Other events included Clean up Day in spring, Pumpkin Carving in fall and Caroling In the Square in December.
* Three Scholarships were awarded to graduating New Hope Solebury high school seniors: Adam Steifel, Caroline German and Reed Finch III.

Laura presented the Treasurer’s report. We started the year with about $ 6,500 in checking account, and ended with approximately the same. We have approximately $ 21,000 in our savings account. Incoming funds were accounted from membership dues, Road Rally and Walking Tour fundraising, while outgoing funds were attributed to Pumpkin Carving, Road Rally, insurances, newsletter printing, scholarships, and storage unit costs.

Dan Gallo, owner of Thyme and Plate catering, introduced himself as future occupant of Carversville General Store. Aside from running his catering business from the store, he hopes to be offering coffee, donuts, and sandwiches by mid April. He wants to be an integral member of our community and he donated delicious appetizers for our meeting tonight!

Kurt Leasure was guest speaker. He presented an update on the Paunacussing Watershed Association. (See Leasure’s notes as attachment).

Rhonda led voting for next three year terms. Marc Steifel, Laura Veihwegger and Lori White were re-elected unanimously.

Friend of the Village award was presented to Rhonda for her 25 years of service on the board, her involvement in many events as leader and supporting member, and for her consistent generosity of spirit and good will as a resident of Carversville.

Open To the Board and Members:

* Susan Whitman suggested that the plaque for the time capsule (which had been knocked over) was going to be repaired by an anonymous local.
* Mark Baum-Baicker suggested scheduling more volunteer days at Carversville Farm Foundation.
* Milan Lint stated that work is progressing at the Carversville Inn and that they hope to have a soft opening of the restaurant by February or mid March.
* Numerous members expressed interest in bringing back the softball games between Carversville and Lumberville residents.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.