

North School Preservation Society Meeting Minutes, August 5 2025

Attendance: Richard Willard, Francine Provost, Ginny Ricker, Dave Hall, Margery Burbank.

Richard called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Minutes of the July 1 meeting were motioned and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Ginny distributed the treasurer's report for July, which included income from the July yard sale, a donation and Facebook Marketplace sales. Expenses included the monthly Green Mountain Power bill and the cost of replacement of the warming hut window, for which Dave donated his labor. The Treasurer's Report stands for audit.

Old Business

Dog Park – Dave reported that Lions Club members will be meeting with him and Moe to stake out the boundaries of the dog park on the upper field on Wednesday morning, Aug. 6 (tomorrow).

Insurance – Ginny is waiting on the signed contract for the dog park in order to revisit the next liability insurance bill in September. The contract includes a liability statement from the town which should offset the cost of NSPS liability insurance.

Building and Property Update –

Dave trimmed the sumac bordering the playground between the adjoining property and the park.

Dave installed a donated humidifier in the basement in the location of the former school cafeteria. It was able to be connected to an existing drain in the floor, and a noticeable improvement in moisture issues was reported.

Dave has completed the installation of the replacement window in the warming hut.

Yard Sale –

The upcoming August yard sale is Saturday, Aug. 9, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; setup on Friday, Aug. 8, noon-2 p.m. The signs were put out on Monday, Aug. 4, and Ginny sent notices to the Springfield Reporter (online) and the Shopper News, as well as listing it on the NSPS Facebook page.

Miscellaneous Business

Visitors Cassandra Bell and Leonard Farrar arrived and volunteered to help NSPS members with yard sales and future activities. Leonard requested permission to use a metal detector for the benefit of NSPS as well as for historical discoveries and was given permission to do so.

The business being concluded a motion was made and approved to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 2, 6 p.m. in the hut.