

Freedom Community Historical Society

Restoring the Past / Envisioning the Future

<http://www.freedomhistory.org>

Meeting Notes June 16, 2026

Next Meeting July 21, 2026

Call to order- 6:30 pm

Attendance: Wilson Hess, Elaine Higgins, Tom Cosgrove, Dick Bickford, Anne-Marie Adamson, Mary Anne Shyka

Secretaries Report.

- Review of May meeting minutes

Motion made and seconded and secretaries report was unanimously accepted

Kyle Hadyniak- Webmaster

- Report on social media posts, You tube channel for FCHS events engagement
- Next steps-Communication plan

Treasurer's Report-

Motion made and seconded; treasurers report was unanimously accepted

Old Business

Keen Hall Project Report:

- Groundbreaking was a success
- Sent a picture of the sign to our project officer- it was approved
- NEPA (invasive species) worksheet- Send to National Park Service
- Motion made and seconded. Accepted by all

New Business

- Next steps:Advisory Board to start the work for phase 4(framing).
- Summer Reading Series:
 - At Town House -Lead off in July19th-Pam Burr-Smith(Reading from “Near Stars” and “Heaven Jumping Woman”)
 - August 16 2026Gary Hoyle- Maine State Museum-Book called “Mystery Tusk; Searching for Elephants in Maine”
 - September 13, 2026-Martha Dudman Dawn- “Expecting to Fly”

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm

Officers 2025

President: Wilson G. Hess

Secretary: Anne Marie Adamson

Vice President: Elaine Higgins

Treasurer: Tyler Hadiniak

2026 Freedom Community Historical Society Board of Directors

Anne-Marie Adamson, Richard Bickford, David Bridges, Tom Cosgrove, Kate Flynn, Paul Flynn, Tyler Hadyniak, Wilson G. Hess, Elaine Higgins, Ellie O’Leary, Rene Ouellet, and Mary Anne Shyka