



SCCOGS Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2024

Portsmouth Public Library

Robert Copley Room

President Eli Allen called the meeting to order at 11:03, and welcomed everyone and presented some housekeeping notes. Six members and ten guests in attendance.

Recording Secretary Report: Recording Secretary Cindy Comer was not present. President Eli Allen requested a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes. The motion was made by Phyllis Crawford and seconded Michael Arthur. The motion was passed unanimously by vote.

Corresponding Secretary Report: Judy Karshner, Assistant Corresponding Secretary read the Secretary Report. *See attached.*

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Penny Blackwell was not present. President Eli Allen read the Treasurer's report. *See attached.*

Membership & Library Committee Chairperson Penny Blackwell had emailed to report that since the last general meeting we had gained four new members and that work was continuing to organize the library.

Publications Committee: Eli reported the sale of one copy of the Gravestone Inscriptions of Greenlawn Cemetery Volumes 1 & 2 on CD. And that the Gravestone Inscriptions of Vernon Township is now available for purchase as a download on the Society's website.

Research Committee: Research Committee Chairperson Phyllis Crawford reports that during 2024 that there have been eighteen Requests for Research with fifteen completed and three actively being researched.

Newsletter: President Eli Allen announced that our Quarterly newsletter had been published, and suggested that the Society consider an increase in cost to those choosing to receive a print copy. Currently the Society charges \$5.00 for that option. However, each copy costs approximately \$1.00 each to print and \$1.87 to mail each. All members and guests were asked to contribute stories, pictures, etc.

Web Site: Eli stated that from April 1, 2024 to June 8, 2024, the website had processed 8 transactions for \$145.00 in sales, and that the internet traffic to the website had been as follows: April 476 views/147 visitors, May 406 views/168 visitors, and June 98 views/47 visitors. Also that the Wordpress version and theme had been updated, video of the meeting uploaded to YouTube and shared to the page, and that meeting minutes had also been uploaded.

Old Business: None.

New Business: The first piece of new business was to announce Treasurer Penny Blackwell's resignation from the Treasurer's role as well as the Membership Committee chairperson. She has stated that she would like to remain in her role as the Librarian. Her resignation will become effective July 31, 2024.

The second piece of new business is the creation of the Nominating Committee and appointment of its members as defined by the Society's approved 2018 By-Laws. Those appointed were Judy Karshner, Penny Blackwell, and Cindy Comer.

The third piece of new business was brought forth by Vice-President Amanda Crabtree that Russell Cooper would be presenting on Gibbs Battery L 1st Ohio Light Artillery at the August 10, 2024 meeting.

President Eli Allen informed the meeting that the next Officers' meeting for the Society would be held at the SCCOGS office at the Masonic Lodge in Portsmouth at 11AM on July 13, 2024, and that the next general meeting would be held the Scioto County Public Library at 11AM on August 10, 2024.

President Eli Allen made a motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting. That motion was seconded by Judy Karshner and the motion carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 AM.

Presentation--President Eli Allen introduced Stella Seaman, Marsha Phillips, and Susan Ralston of the Otway Historical Society and their presentation "Preserving the Past for the Future." A presentation on the history of Otway, Scioto County, Ohio.

Minutes Recorded by President Eli Allen for Recording Secretary Cindy Comer.

8 Newsletters

7 from OGS

5 from SCCOGS members

3 Spam

**Submitted by Cathy Allen & Judy Karshner
Corresponding Secretaries**

SCCOGS TREASURER REPORT

1 April 2024 – 3 June 2024

Beginning balance per check book register 1 Jan \$6548.42

INCOME:

Dues	\$70.00	
Royalty	-0-	
Sale of Publication	54.86	
Rent DAR	-0-	
Research	74.88	
Donation	.56	
Total		<u>\$200.3</u>

EXPENSES:

Pal Pal Fees	\$9.08	
Newsletter Print	-0-	
Postage	52.33	
Speaker Fee	-0-	
Rent Masonic Temple	330.00	
Web Domain	14.50	
Miscellaneous		
Total		<u>\$405.91</u>
Checking account balance		<u>\$6342.81</u>

CD Balance \$4100.61 Matures 12 March 2025. Currently 4.55%

