Minutes

Hamilton Township Philatelic Society Hamilton Township Free Public Library Hamilton, New Jersey December 16, 2014

The December meeting of the Hamilton Township Philatelic Society was called to order by President Jeff Boyarsky at 7:30pm with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 22 members present. There were no guests or visitors in attendance.

Officer Reports

Reading of the Minutes – Since Secretary Bob Stolarz was not present, the minutes from the November 18th meeting were not read.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Ronald González was not present. The Treasurer's report was read by Tony Zingale. As of November 14th, the club's treasury had a balance of \$2,767.08. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Len deGroot and seconded by Ed Murtha. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Members who have not yet paid their 2015 dues should contact Jack Sack. The 2015 dues remain at \$10.

Ed Murtha reported the passing of one of our founding members, Warren Scheible, on November 24th. Ed spoke about Warren's long interest in the American Civil War and Encapsulated Postage Stamps. Jeff Boyarsky mentioned Warren's role in founding the HTPS. More information about Warren can be found in the history of the HTPS on our website. Warren's obituary was published in the *Trentonian* on November 26th.

Jeff Boyarsky reported on his meeting with Scott Cameron at the Princeton High School regarding our stamp exhibit there next April. The exhibit will be held in a room that can hold a large number of display frames. There was a discussion about the logistics of transporting the display frames, on loan from the Merchantville Stamp Club, to Princeton, and what assistance we would need in designing and setting up the exhibit. Roger Randall offered to bring in a frame to show how to load in an exhibit. Jeff will contact Nick Lombardi of the Westfield Stamp Club who had offered to help us with exhibits.

New Business

It was proposed that the club make a donation to the American Philatelic Society in memory of our deceased members. The motion was tabled in order to allow the board time to discuss the matter.

Len deGroot showed the latest issue of "Topical Times" that the club received as a member of the American Topical Society. Anyone interested should take a look at the journal.

Ken Steel and Tony Zingale both reported on letters from John Hotchner from the Stamps for the Wounded program thanking us for our donations.

Tony Zingale proposed we give a gift of \$150 to the Hamilton Township Free Public Library. A motion was made by Andrew Boyajian and seconded by Len deGroot. The motion passed unanimously.

Tony Zingale reported that the Ft. Washington Stamp and Coin Show is moving next year to Williamson Banquet & Event Center 500 Blair Mill Road, Horsham, PA 19044. This is about 5 miles closer to us than the current venue. The December show will still be in Ft. Washington.

Tony Zingale mentioned that we will have an auction at the January meeting. Those unfamiliar with the procedure of submitting auction items are urged to read the description on our website.

Andrew Boyajian mentioned that the Quad City Stamp Club will be having their annual Stamp Out Cancer Auction on April 19th. See their website (http://qcstampclub.com/)

<u>Adjournment</u>

The formal meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm and was followed by the annual holiday party.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on January 20th, 2015. We will have our semi-annual auction.

Jack Sack (Secretary Pro Tempore)