

Olive Branch School Preservation Society

Minutes of the Modified Meeting on July 12, 2023

On July 3, 2023, Chairman Jim Leathley notified by email the OBSPS trustees and members and the Medway Area Historical Society (through Reed Romine) of a modification of the upcoming July 12, 2023 quarterly meeting. Jim called to replace our usual formal meeting with an informal “meet and greet” type meeting from 4:00 PM to approximately 5:00 PM at the Olive Branch School Building so that OBSPS Trustees and members and Medway Area Historical Society members and guests could view not only past preservation projects, but also the most recently completed window and door restoration of the southwest classroom by Blind Eye Restoration. Jim added that a second project, the power washing of the entire outside of the building by Aqua Force, with completion expected to be by the July 12, 2023 meeting, could also be viewed at that time.

Shortly after 4:00PM on July 12, 2023, Chairman Jim Leathley welcomed everyone present to the Olive Branch building. Jim explained the preservation projects thus far completed on the building in approximate order they were completed and what some of the projects involved. Jim gave a big thank you to the Medway Area Historical Society for their generous offer to donate the amount needed for the entire exterior power washing project. He also stated that the OBSPS was grateful to Alec Asbaugh for his donated team and supplies that covered the ground below the power washing area with plastic. This caught the debris from the washing and saved a big clean up job after. Next, Herman Schiller from the Medway Area Historical Society officially presented Chairman Leathley with the donation check for the power washing costs. Guests were then invited to wander around the building as they wished with all rooms open for viewing. Chairman Leathley was available for any questions. As we viewed the building, Treasurer Sharon Leathley handed out a written Treasurer’s Report to all attending OBSPS trustees present with a balance of \$ 11,853.86 on July 12, 2023. The report also noted the soon expected income from awarded grants and donations. In addition Sharon handed out an updated trustee contact information list to attending trustees. All attendees appeared to enjoy seeing the building and completed projects, renewing old friendships, and sharing memories.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Morgan Secretary