Keepers of Coursen’s Corners, Minutes from 12 November 2018

Present: Ginny Richardson, Myra Snook, Mary Ann Lindholm, Una Lee Williams, Don Thoenig, Jane Butz, Marjorie Banghart.

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| Item | Details |  |
| Called to order at: | 2:19 by Ginny Richardson |  |
| Introductions | None. |  |
| Minutes from Oct, 2018 | Read and approved. |  |
| Treasurer’s Report | Myra: paid Trinity Woodworks for the new ramp and handrail. She reimbursed Jane for the materials (concrete and treated wood) for the project. Una Lee gave monies from the sale of the coloring pages.  |  |
| Old Business: | 1. Ginny mentioned the tree estimate and the fact that she has logs that we could have. Una Lee says we received firewood from the Lindholms’ and her brother-in-law. When the mulberry tree is pruned, we can use the wood for firewood as well. We will send thank-you’s
2. Deb Prommel and Suzanne Boland have done a great job advertising our events.
3. Don will be our Santa this year. He and Una Lee are improving the costume. Una Lee will offer soup and Clementine oranges and apples in the kitchen: she will make up little bags of mixed nuts. Ginny will take care of notifying the town about the sleigh.
4. The dishes from the basement were donated to the Bee Hive. Knives went to George’s Salvage.
5. Cindy Seamans is constructing a hay bale shelter for Charlie.
6. A new concrete ramp has been installed instead of the cobbles which did not work out. There is also a new handrail on the side.
7. Three window sashes have been repaired and will be re-installed in the near future.
8. Inspection report on the house: we discussed the report and items that surfaced included the electrical circuits, the foundation wall, the roof, the porch floor, an inoperative thermostat. Members made a list of imperative items as follows:

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| In order of priority if possible:1. Slate roof and flashing
2. Porch floor
3. Electrical – separate circuits; thermostat update
4. Plumbing – kitchen sink; front hose bib
5. Foundation bulge
6. Front well cover (cracked concrete cover and fill old well); possibly remove the smaller maple near the old kitchen
7. Floor supports (lolly columns) in basement
8. Tree work: mulberry trim
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| New Business | 1. Ginny will purchase a wreath for the front door and roping for the sleigh
2. Tree lights: we talked about purchasing a cut tree and decorating it instead of the fir tree, which has gotten so tall. Ginny will buy one when she gets the wreath and roping.
3. We will hold Twelfth Night on January 5, 2019 from 11-4.
4. Next event: 11/24: Pictures with Santa: Arrive between 10 and 10.30 am.
5. Members can make cookies.
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| Volunteer Hours this mos. | 200 | 567 |
| For the good of the order: | Water Gap Singers will perform most of the Messiah (the whole thing is 3 hrs) at the Blairstown Presbyterian church, Sunday, December 9 at 4 pm. Donations accepted; reception to follow. |  |
| Next Meeting: | December 10, 2018. Garden Club will be here on the 20th.  |  |
| Meeting adjourned at | 3:55. |  |