

**Milo Historical Society  
Meeting Minutes  
September 17, 2015**

Following an informative program by Bill Sawtell on the Canadian Pacific Railroad in Maine, the society members held a brief meeting to discuss a proposal by Paul Bradeen for the society to consider the purchase and installation of a Mini Split Heat Pump to heat, cool, and air condition the workroom of the museum. Maine Alternative Solutions, owned by Ron Desmarais, has given an estimate for installing a unit that would service the needs of the museum. The price of the unit would be approximately \$3,228 but there is a \$200 manufacturer's rebate along with an Efficiency of Maine incentive rebate of \$500. Additional costs would include wiring. Much discussion took place about the pros and cons of making the purchase. It was suggested that we would still have to drain the water system due to the fact that the unit would not heat the entire building. Also, we would likely have to still remove the computers once we got into the coldest months of the winter. On the plus side, the unit would allow for use of the workroom later into the season and earlier in the spring. The unit would also allow for dehumidifying, making the work environment more comfortable along with possibly helping to elevate mold and mildew. It was decided that due to the few members present, a vote would take place at a future date. The members in attendance gave their approval to looking further into the proposal and Paul said he would gather further details and report back.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Allen C. Monroe  
Secretary, Milo Historical Society

**Milo Historical Society  
Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes  
September 28, 2015**

A board of directors meeting was called to discuss the proposal of purchasing a Mini Split Heat Pump for the museum, as discussed on September 17, 2015. As originally presented by Paul Bradeen, the unit being considered is a 15,000 BTU unit, sold by Maine Alternative Solutions, owned and operated by Ron Desmarais. The unit is priced at \$3,228 but would come with a \$200 manufacturer's rebate plus a \$500 Efficiency of Maine incentive rebate of \$500 if the purchase is made before September 30. Mr. Desmarais agreed to drop the price of the unit to \$3000 and would include the cost of installation, making final price \$2,300 (excluding tax). Discussion took place on the pros and cons and after much consideration, the seven board members present unanimously approved the purchase of the unit. Paul will contact Mr. Desmarais to finalize the purchase and make arrangements for installing the unit.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Allen C. Monroe  
Secretary, Milo Historical Society