

ELK GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

Board Members and Guests Present: Diane Borden, Sally Bergen, Mary Bulford, Dennis Buscher, Barbara Claire, Jim and Annaclare Entrican, Lorraine Croup, Roberta Gleeson, Claudia Johnson, Jeanette Lawson, David Lema, Tom and Cindy Mahon, Rosemarie and Ken Miller, Rich Lozano, Brookelea Lutton, Louis Silveira, Roberta Tanner, Milt Webb

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Brookelea Lutton.

Public Comment:

Resolutions Designating The Greater Elk Grove Area History Week—David Lema:

Linda Mae Mahon Lema Foundation Resolution – David Lema

Mr. Lema presented the attached Resolution approved by the Board's Foundation on August 25, 2016 in support of the pursuit of Sacramento County designating the last week in September each year beginning in 2017 as "The Greater Elk Grove Area History Week". Their mission is to develop a deeper appreciation of our history to a broader community.

Elk Grove Historical Society Resolution - For Approval:

It was moved by Dennis Buscher and seconded by Sally Bergen to approve (pass) a Board Resolution (attached) to fully support the pursuit of such a designation and establish a working relationship with the LMML Foundation.

It was agreed that a small group would meet in the future to discuss a date and finalize plans to work together.

Announcements:

Happy Birthday to Sally 9/18. Thanks to the volunteers who helped during the September opening and those who've been helping with the construction.

Brookelea showed everyone a beautiful crocheted doily that was made by Joyce Amundson that a member donated to the Society. Also Cheryl Griess donated a photo album of the groundbreaking of the Museum in 1982 and it will be on display in the Library.

Approval of Minutes: August 8, 2016--Diane Borden (Recording Secretary):

It was moved by Sally Bergen and seconded by Barbara Claire to accept the minutes of the August 8, 2016 Board Meeting (sent to Board for review) as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Bills—Jeanette Lawson:

Bills:

Jeanette requested approval to pay the SMUD bill in the amount of \$246.00. It was moved by Sally Bergen and seconded by Claudia Johnson to approve. Motion carried.

Jim Entrican recently had some people help dig a ditch 40 feet long to prepare the ground for the shed. He paid them in cash in the amount of \$300 and has requested reimbursement. He took a picture for documentation since there was no receipt available. It was moved by Dennis Buscher and seconded by Jeanette Lawson to approve reimbursement. Motion carried. However, in the future to avoid workers' compensation issues or other liability concerns, the Society prefers that the contractor arrange for this type of work and bill the Society for the costs. Jim will check with Cliff Bracket and let us know if this is agreeable. It was also suggested that a meeting be scheduled as needed with the appropriate people to discuss plans for what is to take place on construction.

It was moved by Dennis Buscher and seconded by Claudia Johnson to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion carried.

Rhoads School Update—Roberta Tanner:

Roberta reported that 45 classroom visits are scheduled. The Board met this morning and they are looking for a new Treasurer, a Historian and for someone to manage recycling for the school. A presentation was also made to Arnie Zimbelman for his and Iris's dedication for serving as fire starters for many years.

CSD Update—Rich Lozano:

Plans are going ahead for the October 1-3 Giant Pumpkin Festival, from 10 AM to 5 PM each day as in years past. A classification and compensation study on CSD employees (not all areas) was voted on last week. They will have to align other classifications with supervisors and similar classes in the future. It was determined that approximately 75 percent were paid under market.

Committee Reports:

Membership—Lorraine Croup:

New members are Roberta Tanner, Cat Ricketts, Michele and Jim Bumb, Ed and Janice Hidalgo. She said her computer is being fixed. Barbara offered to help her use the one in the Library. Lorraine found a receipt for a donation from her father, Dwight Johnson (Johnston) in 1923 and passed it around for everyone to see.

Newsletter—Isaac Taylor:

No report.

Program for General Meeting—Claudia Johnson:

Our speaker for the September 19th General Meeting will be Jerry Strong (and his wife Jeannie). He will talk about his family history from the 1860s. In appreciation, a cookbook will be given to them. An article will be in the Citizen and a robo call go will out this week.

October 14th General Meeting will be held at the museum at 4 PM. Our slate of officers for next year will be presented, and then a tour of the museum will be given prior to opening to the public at 5:00

Future speakers may be Elizabeth Pinkerton and someone to talk about the history of our fire department.

Haunted Stage Stop—Jeanette Lawson:

Decorators are getting started with their plans. Closed containers will be provided and labeled to store items removed for decorating. Jeanette passed around a sign-up sheet for docents and said she would like at least 7 each day. She will need a permit from the fire department and we should place a "no admittance" sign near the Reese School and the new construction site as well as orange fencing if needed.

Old Fashioned Christmas—Brookelea Lutton:

Brookelea presented a proposed budget showing a net income of \$5,815. It was moved by Diane Borden and seconded by Jeanette Lawson to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Black Tie & Santa—Jeanette Lawson:

Black Tie & Santa is Sunday, November 27th. Jeanette sent out requests for donations for silent auction items and has searched for discounts on various trips such as the Polar Express or River Train. Dennis has offered to donate time for his condo through WorldMark (one week). This will be a closed bid process (sealed) and the winner will be announced that night. Various suggestions were made for other auction items. Our Santa this year will be Ken Miller and donations for gifts will be requested and an organization found that needs them. Jeanette will look into this further.

Nominating Committee—Sally Bergen:

Sally and her committee are still interviewing members for the slate of elected Officers for 2017 and will report at our next Board meeting.

Grants—Jim Entrican:

No report.

Unfinished Business:

Storage/Blacksmith Shop—Jim Entrican:

Jeanette went over the expenditures to date on the attached expenditure report for the Blacksmith Shop. The balance remaining from the \$30,000 approved by the Board is \$19,011.67. In addition, one-half the costs will be shared with the Foulks House for electrical expenses.

Jim reported that the footings are in and they are ready to put in the pad (pending City approval). After that they will call for inspection before they can pour the cement. They may be working during the Haunted Stage Stop (during the day).

Foulks House Restoration Grant—Jim Entrican:

Need architect to update plans. Need to obtain qualified electrician familiar with the codes

Requests to store personal items in the Foulks House need to be discussed with the Board first.

Shore-up of Reese School—Dennis Buscher/Jim Entrican:

Not yet finished.

Scout Projects—Jim Entrican:

No report.

Possible donation of 300 books RE Lewis and Clark Expedition - Status—Dennis Buscher:

Dennis said there are only 8 boxes and he will attempt to find some nice bookshelves for them. Elizabeth Pinkerton will be donating books that we should store as well.

Sacramento County California Heritage Protection Project—Brookelea Lutton:

Dennis will attend the meeting on September 16th.

New Business:

Donation of Organ—Jim Entrican:

The Jones family from Elk Grove has donated an organ from the 1880s. It is in the Ladies Parlor and the other organ will be removed.

Assignment of Keys—Claudia Johnson:

Claudia asked if only Board members were given keys. Brookelea said the keys would be issued on an as-needed basis. There is a list showing to whom keys are assigned, which the Property Manager keeps track of. There is information in the P & Ps as well.

2017 Ballroom Display—Barbara Claire:

Barbara has been doing some research regarding the Lewis & Clark Expedition. As a result she and Mary would like to make the Ballroom into a Frontier for 2017. Everyone expressed his or her approval and enthusiasm for this becoming a reality.

Upcoming Events:

- September 19 - General Meeting 6:30 - Jerry Strong, Speaker, Presbyterian Church, 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, #20
- October 1 - Lema Foundation Dinner 6:00-10:00 PM, Miner's Leap Winery, Clarksburg
- October 1 & 2 - Haunted Stage Stop 1:00-5:00 PM, museum
- October 7 & 8 - Haunted Stage Stop 5:00-9:00 PM, museum
- October 10 - Board Meeting 4 PM
- October 14 - General Meeting - Slate of officers presented to the Board 4 PM, museum
- October 14 & 15 - Haunted Stage Stop 5:00-9:00 PM, museum
- October 21 & 22 - Haunted Stage Stop 5:00-9:00 PM, museum
- October 28 & 29 - Haunted Stage Stop 5:00-9:00 PM, museum

The meeting was adjourned by President Brookelea Lutton at 5:50 PM.

Submitted by:

Diane Borden,

Recording Secretary