

ELK GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

Board Members and Guests Present: Sally Bergen, Diane Borden, Mary Bulford, Dennis Buscher, Barbara Claire, Lorraine Croup, Jim and Annaclare Entrican, Claudia Johnson, Jeanette Lawson, Rich Lozano, Brookelea Lutton, Milt Webb.

Call to order: Barbara Claire (President): The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Claire.

Public Comment:

None.

Announcements:

Thanks to all the docents who worked the September opening.

Barbara passed around a Certificate of Appreciation from Pacific Coast Chapter, Railway & Locomotive Historical Society. They enjoyed being here for our tours and showing their display.

Barbara announced the new name for the gift shop, which will be Heritage Park Treasures. She is working on labels, price tags and signage for the door. She and Mary will be rearranging things for Christmas.

Approval of Minutes: August 11, 2014--Diane Borden (Recording Secretary):

It was moved by Sally Bergen and seconded by Jeanette Lawson to accept the minutes of the August 11, 2014 Board Meeting (sent to Board for review) as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Bills--Jeanette Lawson (Treasurer):

Jeanette reported that we have received a good response to the Barn Raising mail fund raising (so far receipts are about \$1,375), which is not reflected in the report. There were no bills presented.

It was moved by Claudia Johnson and seconded by Brookelea Lutton to approve the Treasurer's Report (attached) as presented. Motion carried.

Rhoads School Update--Merry Leverton (absent):

No report since Merry is out of town.

CSD Update--Rich Lozano:

Rich reported the summer concert series in the park was well attended and they are gearing up for the Giant Pumpkin Festival. On Sunday, October 5th on the Strauss Island Stage (at about 1 PM) he will be participating in a pie-eating contest, along with the Mayor. Sinful Treats will be providing the pies and he invited us to come and cheer him on. Also, CSD expects to hire up to 15 new Fire Fighters over the next year. They will apply for a grant that will pay for about 3 years of training and employment. Rich reminded us that the Historical Society is invited to attend one of their upcoming Board meetings (first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM). Jim suggested someone attend on September 17th. Jeanette Lawson would like to attend.

Committee Reports:

Annual Antique & Craft Show—Brookelea Lutton:

Brookelea now has 46 vendors coming for this event. In addition, there will be hot dogs, frozen yogurt and two vendors selling baked goods and candy. She met with her committee on Friday and everyone is getting organized to assist her.

By-Laws--Dennis Buscher:

Dennis has received input on the most recent draft of the proposed by-laws and he will incorporate those suggestions by the next meeting. He reminded us that the duties of the Officers and appointed Directors would be detailed in the P&Ps.

Docents—Mary Bulford:

Mary reported she was impressed with the new docents who helped out for the September opening and passed around a picture taken of them. She asked everyone to sign up for October and she expects to schedule a meeting before HSS starts. She will need lots of help especially on October 4th and 5th.

Giant Pumpkin Festival & Haunted Stage Stop—Jeanette Lawson:

Jeanette said on Friday they will begin taking things out of storage from the Foulks House and spray on fire retardant and will begin decorating the rooms on Saturday. She has ordered 10,000 post cards and will pass these out to various locations for advertising.

Membership—Lorraine Croup:

She is still receiving some past due payments.

Newsletter—September-October sent out—Brookelea Lutton:

The deadline for November-December will be October 15th.

Policy & Procedure Committee--Brookelea Lutton:

Brookelea will have her committee meet after the by-laws are completed.

Programs for General Meeting—September:

Cheryl Anne Stapp will be our speaker at the September 15th General Meeting, 6:30 PM at the Carlton Plaza. She will talk about her new book "The Stagecoach in Northern California: Rough Rides, Gold Camps & Daring Drivers."

October 10, 2014 at 4 PM, tour of Haunted Stage Stop (HSS). Nominations will be presented for elected Officers afterwards.

November 17, 2014 – Ray's Old Town Creations.

Unfinished Business:

Barn Raising Mail Fundraiser—Jeanette Lawson:

(See Treasurer's Report).

Calendar Idea

Need volunteers to be on committee. Sally Bergen, Claudia Johnson and Diane Borden volunteered. Barbara passed around a calendar that was created by EGHS in 2006. We should take pictures starting in October for the HSS and involve the City and CSD.

Foulks House Restoration and Blacksmith Shop/Storage Shed—Jim Entrican:

Jim has attempted to reach one cement contractor with no success. He will contact some others.

Front Porch Repair—Jim Entrican:

Jim thinks this will be a good project for the Scouts.

Reese School Committee—Dennis Buscher, Jim Entrican:

We have received an e-mail from Kevin Pressey and plan to meet with him soon. Regarding Montgomery Contractors, we will postpone this from further reporting until we hear back from them.

Whitelock Parkway Meeting, September 3rd—Report from Jim & Annaclare:

Jim and Annaclare attended the meeting and e-mailed information to us. This is a long-term project.

T-shirts for Volunteers—order:

Barbara has ordered more t-shirts for purchase. The aprons can be used and washed for volunteers to use.

EBI Consulting on New Verizon Tower—sent to Tom and Dennis:

No historical value in proposed area.

New Business:

EBI Consulting on New Verizon 80-foot Monopole Telecommunications Tower and support equipment—10165 Franklin Blvd. This request was reviewed and it was determined there was nothing of historical value in the proposed area.

Amani, a student at Arizona State University will be doing an internship with us helping to archive records in the basement. We met with her on September 6th and she's already started to work (she needs 80 hours for her class).

Fundraising events at Chili's Elk Grove—"Give Back Night" where 15% of sales are donated to the Historical Society for any table that presents the flyer with their bill. Chili's makes the flyers and we have to hand them out and get people to go on a date we select (Monday-Thursday from 11 AM to 10 PM). After discussion, it was decided we would not participate at this time.

Jim received a request for a speaker from the Sheldon Historical Society some time next year (they will get back with a date and time). Annaclare or Ellen Rosa could do this.

Jim passed around the Phone and E-mail List of Officers, Directors and Standing Committees. This will need to be updated after elections for 2015. He also has hung a clipboard with the most current membership list downstairs. Jim said the next Red Door event is set for March 21, 2015.

Lorraine said she recently went on a tour of the renovated California State Library and met with the State Librarian. She would like to arrange for a bus tour for us next year. Also, she is looking into a tour of Underground Old Sacramento. We all endorsed her suggestions. Lorraine also reported she found two pairs of reading glasses in case anyone lost them.

Upcoming Events:

- September 15: General Meeting, Carlton Plaza, 6:30 PM, Speaker Cheryl Stapp
- September 20: Antique & Craft Show, 9 AM – 3 PM, CSD Parking Lot
- October 4-5: Haunted Stage Stop, 10 AM – 5 PM
- October 10: General Meeting at museum, 4 PM and tour of HSS
- October 10-11: Haunted Stage Stop, 5 PM – 9 PM
- October 13: Board Meeting, 4 PM, Museum
- October 17-18: Haunted Stage Stop, 5 PM – 9 PM
- October 24-25: Haunted Stage Stop, 5 PM – 9 PM
- October 31 on Halloween: Haunted Stage Stop, 5 PM – 9 PM

The meeting was adjourned by President Barbara Claire at 5:30 PM.

Submitted by: Diane Borden, Recording Secretary