

Kingsburg Historical Society

Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2017

Emailed to board members on 6/15/17 and 7/7/17

Minutes Approved 7-10-17

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Park Meeting Hall by Board President Gary Nelson. Board members in attendance were Chris Peterson, David Lindgren, David Meyer, Edward Morgan, Gary Nelson, Greg Soghoian, Henry Garcia, Janet Cabral, Loretta Snedegar, Rick Guestin, Ronald Bergman, Stephen Hall and Tanya Barros. Board members absent were Gloria Mendes and Greg Jonsson. Ronald Snedegar an Historical Society member was present. No guests were in attendance.

May 8, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes – Ronald Bergman

The May 8, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes had been e-mailed to board members on 5/10/17 and on 6/8/17. Time at the beginning of the meeting was given so each board member could review a hard copy of said Minutes. There were no additions or corrections voiced, hence President Nelson declared the Minutes approved as written.

May 22, 2017 Special Board Meeting Minutes – Ronald Bergman

The May 22, 2017 Special Board Meeting Minutes had been e-mailed to board members on 5/23/17 and on 6/8/17. Time at the beginning of the meeting was given so each board member could review a hard copy of said Minutes. There were no additions or corrections voiced, hence President Nelson declared the Minutes approved as written.

A Communication – Ronald Bergman

A Robert and Pat Ostrom thank you note to the Board was received on May 21, 2017, "Dear Ron, Pat and I thank you so much for your willingness to escort us in the festival parade! You made our experience so enjoyable. Thanks to you and the Historical park board for allowing us to ride in the '21 Dodge. It meant a lot to us. Enclosed is \$100 to be used where most needed.
(The \$100 was put towards a 2018 Calendar Sponsorship)

Treasurer's Report – As of May 31, 2017 – Tanya Barros

Tanya had issued hard copies of her report before the meeting began. She verbalized the Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet Statements. Specific questions were asked and Tanya gave specific answers. The May 31, 2017 Financial Spread Sheet was reviewed by Tanya Barros and Gary Nelson. President Nelson thanked Tanya for her report. A copy of the report is filed with the official Minutes of this meeting.

Donation Received – Ronald Bergman

The Kingsburg High School Reunion Committee for the graduating classes of 1947/1948 made a donation of \$300.00 that was specified for the Video Projects Project.

Bills Submitted for Payment – Tanya Barros

- Paper copies, magnets, fuel additive, PVC pipe, drip pan - \$ 76.63
- Light fixtures and supplies for the barn ----- \$ 300.00
- Printer ink cartridge for Park Hall Printer ----- \$ 26.98
- Total----- \$ 403.61

A motion was made by Edward Morgan and seconded by Henry Garcia to pay the bills as submitted, totaling \$403.61. The motion was unanimously passed on a voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Calendar Report – Ronald Bergman

- The 2017 Calendar Financial Report – Expenses: \$3.18, Income: \$70.00, **net fund balance, \$5,969.84.** One board member has yet to turn in any calendar sales money and/or return any unsold calendars.
- The 2018 Calendar Financial Report – Expenses: \$24.82, Income: \$400.00, **net fund balance, \$4,160.96.**

Riverbend Church – Superintendent Edward Morgan

- Wood floor installation was all but completed today 6/12/17, except for around the floor vents.
- The pews are to arrive on Monday 6/19/17 says Janet Cabral.
- The four (4) ceiling fans the Board of Directors want reduced in number to three (3) fans will be reviewed when all interior work is completed, says Gary Nelson.

Go For Broke – David Meyer

- The paperwork for the grant money has been completed.
- David hopes to attend the July 13, 2017 Exhibition opening in Salem, Oregon to obtain firsthand knowledge about what the exhibition will be like when it arrives here in January 2018.
- Gary Nelson says the Well Church leaders know the Park Hall is not available for their use during January 2018.

Website – David Meyer, Greg Soghoian

There was much discussion led by Meyer & Soghoian about which website program to adopt. **A motion was made by David Meyer and seconded by Janet Cabral to secure the website starter program presented by Jason Poynor of JP Solutions of Kingsburg, CA for the price of \$1,500. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.**

Event Coordinator Resignation – Gary Nelson

Janet Cabral, Historical Society Event Coordinator a position she has held for 4 ½ years has submitted her resignation. President Gary thanked and issued praise for the fine job that Janet has done as Event Coordinator. Ronald Bergman thanked Janet for the professionalism that Janet exhibited during her tenure of service. Appreciation of Janet’s work as the Event Coordinator too was shown by the board members applause granted Janet.

Caretaker/Event Coordinator Job Description – Gary Nelson

There was extensive discussion related to creating a “Caretaker/Event Coordinator Job Description.” This discussion culminated in President Gary appointing a committee saddled with the challenge of coming up with such a job description and making a recommendation to the Society Board. The committee members are Tanya Barros, Greg Soghoian, Janet Cabral and David Meyer. A committee chairman was not named.

One Man’s Opinion – David Meyer

Board members at the May 8, 2017 Board Meeting had been issued a copy of, “One Man’s Opinion” a piece written by David Meyer. The document’s first paragraph reads, “The time has come for us to take stock of our goals and mission. The Historical Society has grown exponentially in the last seven to eight years. We are now operating and controlling a multimillion dollar facility. Yet, we are doing it with barely more human resources and planning than we had ten years ago. (Perhaps even less).”

David briefly summarized the document in that board members should actively participate in planning for and setting the Society’s needs and goals. David asked that board members seriously study the document in preparation for board discussion by doing a “Needs Assessment” at our August Board Meeting.

Tractor Restoration – David Lindgren

David reports that eight (8) new tires (which were approved of at the May 8, 2017 Board Meeting) have arrived and are waiting to be installed. With new shiny black tires having been put to the tractor wheels the tractors (a McCormick Deering and a Fordson) will be on their way to Giannini Farms, LLC to be cleaned up and painted.

Barn and Storage Container Report – Greg Soghoian

- Greg has been installing new light fixtures in the Barn.
- For vent(s) and electrical work to proceed the storage container must be emptied. The plan is to tarp the “Stuff” along the outer east wall of the Park Hall. Greg will call for able bodies to do the work of getting the “Stuff” moved out.
- The storage container needs painting. **A motion was made by Henry Garcia and seconded by Greg Soghoian to have the storage container prepared for painting and painted for an expense of \$2,965. The motioned passed on a unanimous voice vote.**
- To be acted upon later is the plan to have one long wall of the storage container to be fitted with metal shelving as in the Clay School Building east storeroom. The plan for other long wall is for it to remain shelf-less.

Swedish Festival and Workday – Gary Nelson

Gary was pleased with the Swedish Festival Open House activities and with what was accomplished during the recent campus Workday.

NEW BUSINESS

New Board Members – Gary Nelson

That's not to imply the old board members are ineffective, but with the possibility of a board member resignation, President Nelson put out the challenge to be inviting prospective board members to attend our board meetings to get acquainted with the work of the board.

Agenda Additions – Moderated by Gary Nelson

- Janet Cabral was concerned about tables not being kept in repair – no action was taken.
- Janet Cabral was concerned about the Park Hall floor being so marked up – Gary said he would see about the event supervisor taking a more active role in overseeing that renters take more care with moving equipment so as not to be damaging hall facility.
- Janet Cabral brought up the need for an employee handbook – Janet has been working on this matter and will continue to do so.
- David Meyer exhibited the computer that was purchased for the Park Hall to better operate the media in the Hall – The big concern is where and how to store and provide for security for the computer so bad people do not hightail off with it. – For now it is to be stored in the Clay School Museum Office.
- Ronald Bergman told of bees living in the tank house – no action was taken.
- Ronald Bergman had high praise for the beautiful concrete driveway and the east entrance gate! “The west exit gate is a real eyesore and embarrassment!! A thin adult could crawl under the gate at two places. The west gates should be redone to match the style of the east gates.” Ron asked board members to take a real good look at the west gates and come up with an opinion as to what should or should not be done – no action was taken.
- Ronald Snedegar had a concern about the treatment of the glider swing, The first seat slat gets consistently broken. Ron was asked to have a metal slat made to replace the wood slat.
- **David and Sharon Lindgren will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary** in conjunction with the 2018 Kingsburg Swedish Festival. They have asked to be paraded down Draper Street during the Festival Parade in the 1921 Dodge Touring Car. **By consensus it was decided the car would be reserved for the happy wedded couple!**
- Ronald Bergman asked that the shrubs in front of the Clay School Building be trimmed.

Next Meeting and Adjournment – President Nelson

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday July 10, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Park Hall. This meeting was declared adjourned at 9:16 P.M.

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Respectfully Submitted,

**Ronald D. Bergman,
Secretary**

