

Historical Society of Dayton Valley
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 8, 2014 – 10:30 a.m. Open Session
Dayton Valley Community Center

MISSION STATEMENT

To protect, preserve and promote the Historic Dayton Museum as well as Dayton-area history, historic integrity, heritage and culture for the education and enjoyment of present and future generations.

WELCOME

1. **Call to Order** The president called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.
2. **Roll Call** Board Members Tom Parcels, Grace Ricci, Laura Tennant, Mabel Masterman, Mary Ann Sichak, Jenny Dodds, Linda Adams and Elaine Bergstrom were in attendance and seven members signed in.
3. **Flag Salute** Mabel led the flag salute.
4. **Introduction to Board Meeting Procedures:** The Board of Directors will conduct Public Comments after discussion of each agenda item, but before the Board of Directors take any action. Audience members wishing to speak regarding issues not on the agenda may do so during Public Comments scheduled at the beginning of the agenda and again at the end of the agenda. Please state your name for the record and you will have up to ten minutes to speak. HSDV Board meetings are recorded. (No action will be taken on a non-agendized item unless it is a time sensitive issue or has a minimal financial impact.)
5. **Review and Adoption of Agenda** Mary Ann requested that Item #14 be brought forward to proceed Item #11 as the information to be presented pertained directly to Item #11. Mabel Masterman and Linda Adams objected to making the change. Mabel moved and Jenny seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6-2.

PUBLIC COMMENT Elaine questioned that Laura's nomination for vice president might be a conflict with her position as honorary director and historian. Laura said she had considered it herself and would prefer to remain as historian and would not accept the nomination. Elaine asked about the report last month that there were some discrepancies in the insurance policy and requested information as to what the discrepancies were. Mabel reported that there were some adjustments that needed to be made regarding location of depot, status of coverage of rummage sale, Railroad Days and NV150. The policy as a whole was fine and Mabel suggested the minimum payment be made until the minor adjustments were made. Mabel will confirm in 30 days that the changes were made and the insurance company will bill us for the balance. Jenny had sent an email to Board members with recommendations to the Board regarding digital filing and software used by members on their home computers. Elaine's expectation was that this would be an agenda item and since it wasn't, requested to know if this would be a topic for Board discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA - *All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or sufficiently supported by prior or accompanying reference materials and information as to not require additional discussion. A motion as referenced below will enact all items. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Directors votes on the motion unless Members of the Board or public request specific items to be discussed or deleted from the consent agenda for separate action.*

6. **Minutes of September 10, 2014 Board of Directors meeting** (Attachment) Tom moved and Jenny seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed 8-0.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

7. **Treasurer's Report** – Grace Ricci provided a financial report on income and expenditures from 9/1/2014 – 9/30/2014 with a balance of \$7,418.03 in the checking account. The deposit from Railroad Days was received on 10/7/14 and is not included in the balance. Tom moved and Mabel seconded to approve the financial report. The motion passed 8-0.
8. **Correspondence** – Grace reported receiving specialty insurance company ads. She reviewed the ad and reported it did not offer anything we don't already have.
9. **Directors' Reports**

Tom reported that this would be his last Board meeting as he and Dianne will be moving to Sacramento for the next couple of years.

Elaine reported the memorial bench for Donna McElroy has arrived, however the wrong framework for the bench was received. The company is sending the correct framework. The cost of the bench was \$742.28. \$840.00 was donated for Donna's memorial fund which leaves \$97.72 available for installation.

Laura reported that she and Gloria had attended a meeting considering formation of a Regional Arts Council for information and possible consideration of partnering with them in future endeavors. Their next meeting is October 23 at 6:00 pm.

Linda Adams reported that Gretchen would probably be late or unable to attend but wanted to report that the outcome of the survey of members at the last general meeting as to how much to charge per person for the Christmas party averaged \$30.00.

Mabel introduced new member, Patty Polish.

BUSINESS

10. **Museum Security** - Jenny presented a draft security alarm procedure developed by the Museum Security Procedure Review Group, Pat Neylan and Jenny Dodds. (Attachments [3]) Laura moved and Tom seconded to follow the procedure as presented and bring back to the Board any updates. The motion passed 8-0.
11. **Financial Committee Status** – Linda Adams gave a lengthy detailed report questioning the effectiveness of the committee and if the Financial Committee was usurping the Board, were a sub-rosa or shadow board. She concluded that the committee had a failure in communication, and it was questionable as to whether the Board could change the recalcitrant nature of the committee. Linda A. moved and Jenny seconded to dissolve the Financial Committee due to being ineffective in providing useful information to the Board. Mary Ann and Elaine, co-chairs of the Finance Committee responded to the accusations and discussion with the Board and members in attendance followed. Mabel called for the question. The motion passed 7-1.
12. **Tire Purchase for Trailer** – Mary Ann moved and Linda A. seconded to formally approve the positive consensus secured at September General Meeting to approve up to \$250 to purchase tires. The motion passed 8-0.
13. **Status 2015 Board Nominations** – Mabel gave a brief update of the procedure for nomination and election of the 2015 Board.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

14. **Finance Committee** – Update on summaries from the August and September meetings and a proposal regarding the scope of responsibility for the committee. This item was deleted as the Board dissolved the committee.

EVENTS / ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS

15. **Dayton Valley Days** – Mary Ann provided an Outcome Report of this successful event with positive comments from participants; Mabel with Firehouse/Jail, Andy with blacksmithing, Elaine with branding and Mary Ann with gold panning and HSDV booth.
16. **Railroad Working Group Update** – Phyllis provided an Outcome Report of the successes of this event, in particular the “Last Trial Saloon” with some details still to be determined. Tom moved and Linda C. seconded to pay for some advertising the Dayton Valley Days Committee arranged, which included RR Days advertising, with any of the \$800 room tax granted to HSDV left above and beyond our own advertising expenses. The motion passed 8-0.
17. **Booth participation at Silver Springs Fly-In** – Mary Ann provided an Outcome Report of this two day event. Participants sharing HSDV history were Mary Ann, Andy, Elaine, Vicki, Gene, David, Mel and Robbie. Jack stopped by and was compelled to share some wonderful stories with visitors. Again, the photo display was a great hit. Profit of \$26.20.
18. **Haunted Hayride into Nevada History** – Linda Clements gave a progress report and provided a Planning Worksheet for the event. Primarily an education event, not a fundraiser. Three “hay wagons” will take visitors to 4-6 historical vignettes strategically placed around the town, kids’ games, museum and refreshments. Advertising to schools through “peachies,” in addition to flyers and posters. Linda A. moved and Tom seconded to approve the Planning Worksheet and tentative budget of \$430.00. Motion carried 8-0.
19. **Trailer Restoration** – Mary Ann provided a Planning Worksheet for the restoration of a donated trailer with a tentative budget of \$1000.00 (included tires and lights which are already procured). Mary Ann moved and Linda A. seconded to approve the Planning Worksheet and tentative budget. Motion carried 8-0.
20. **Nevada Day Parade** – Mary Ann gave a progress report. Using “cut outs” and backdrops made in previous years and members portraying historic figures to recreate the NV150 celebration and “Dayton, Where it all Began.” Nevada Civil War Volunteers will march behind the float carrying the flag.
21. **Christmas Party** – Gretchen will give an update on the Christmas party at the general membership meeting on 10/15/2014.

AGENDA PLANNING

22. **October General Membership Meeting** - The Board, led by Mabel, developed a draft agenda for the next general membership meeting on 10/15/2014 including: recognition for Tom and Dianne Parcels who are moving and for Kay Winters, Nevada Day Parade Master of Ceremonies and 94th Birthday (both on Nov. 1); accept nominations for 2015 Board and close nominations; open and close nominations for Laura Tennant and Golden Nugget Awards; report on Haunted Hayride, Nevada Day Parade Float and Christmas Party.

PUBLIC COMMENTS / OPEN DISCUSSION Tom reported that we have acquired a new railroad bell.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Submitted by Mary Ann Sichak, HSDV Secretary

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