

# HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF DAYTON VALLEY MINUTES – BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 8, 2016

The monthly General Membership Meeting was held at the Dayton Valley Community Center on Pike Street, Dayton, NV.

## CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Meeting was called to order at 10:43 pm by Vice President Mabel Masterman followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Business commenced after the Flag salute. The Agenda for today's meeting was made available.

**Board Members present:** Mabel Masterman (V. Pres.), David Dukleth (Sec.), Lynne Ballatore (Treas.), Laura Tennant (Historian), Duncan Lee (Dir.), Stony Tennant (Dir.), Bernie Allen (Dir.) **Directors not present:** Gloria Manning (Pres.), Pat Neylan (Museum Curator). **Other members present:** Linda Clements, Phyllis King, Steve Knowles (Sign-in sheet available in Minutes Files).

## APPROVAL of MINUTES:

- The previous month's General Membership Meeting minutes were reviewed. No corrections. Minutes stand as read.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Lynne presented her Treasurer's Report for May detailing HSDV Income and Expenses. Starting Balance: \$8,343.36, Income: \$837.06, Expenses: \$351.10; Ending Balance: \$8,829.32. Also reported; outstanding checks totaling \$87.85 and a checkbook balance of \$8,917.17. Report filed for audit.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

Lynne received news from Nevada Humanities Festival and Chautauqua listing their June events. She also received a flyer on new books for museums and archives. She also passed on info from Elaine and Don concerning fireproof file cabinets. They saw two in a consignment store in Reno for \$699 and \$999. Linda recommended the surplus sale at UNR. Consensus was to continue to watch but any decisions tabled for now.

## BRIEF REPORTS/CONCERNS:

- **Words from Vice President;** Mabel thanked Lynne for picking up the Desert Canary Yearbook from the seller in Reno. She also reported that the Pony Express Territory Book has been updated by Bruce. She and Linda helped him with updating information for the book. Mabel had nothing new to report on the 30th year anniversary of the Lincoln Highway Loneliest Road designation by Life magazine other than noting that commemorative key chains have been ordered at Pony Express Territory expense. She also had no new information on the Pony Express re-ride. Lynne added that (traveling west to east in 2016) the riders will arrive on the 16th in Carson City at 2 pm and in Ft. Churchill at 6:45 pm. (Nevada Division of the National Pony Express Association website)
- **Update from Secretary;** Notice made of the Comstock series presentations in June hosted by the Comstock Foundation.
- **Other Director Concerns;** Duncan again tried to contact Stanley Alarm System, no response. He also reported that he has not heard back from Doug Green concerning "NO TRUCK PARKING" signs and costs involved. Bags of weeds have been removed. A tree near zoo shed needs attention concerning broken branches. Stony will check on it (identified as an almond tree) and trim. Laura passed on note from Gloria concerning new cartridges she has purchased for the Brother printer. She also requests that before anyone discards a cartridge to shake the old cartridges first to get maximum usage. Stony made motion to move the Member Comment option from the bottom of today's agenda to the top before Old Business is discussed. Mabel seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried. With that said Stony addressed the 'unanticipated box car' on Depot property as a member comment item. Since this is actually in today's agenda it was agreed that we will wait and cover it under the agenda items g and h.

## OLD BUSINESS / UPDATES:

- a) **Update Rummage Sale:** (June 17th and 18th) Lynne acknowledged the people who are helping at the storage area as well as the workers locating items and putting out ads. We will be getting port-a-pots with Duncan's help. One will be needed through the following Oodles of Noodles weekend. The Depot restoration group needs one also. Discussion on location. Members are allowed to buy sale items on Thursday during set-up with no discounts on the previously priced items. Delivery for purchasers of large items may be accommodated. Laura will put advertisements in local newspapers. Sale time discussed; Friday is 8 am to 5 pm and Saturday is 8 am to 2 (later changed to 5) pm. Mabel will put out call to members for help Thursday. Suggestion to revise the Our Park reader board to make message more effective. Stony will work with Duncan to get a trailer for moving items from the storage locations to sale on Thursday.
- b) **Oodles of Noodles:** (June 24th and 25th) Mabel reported that there will be no charge on the booth this year and she is assured that access to the fire house-jail will not be blocked. Booth location was discussed and to be determined by those manning it. Two locations mentioned. Mabel will bring up at General Meeting.
- c) **Approval: revisions to BOD Duties Responsibilities:** Attachment handed out as Item C; and had been emailed earlier by Mabel. She added that the first section concerning the BoD will be changed after the bylaws are updated. Three changes were made to the other parts of the draft. Motion made by Lynne to accept, Duncan seconded. Discussion added that duties would be added/defined for the museum Historian, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
- d) **By-laws Committee Chairman apointment:** Mabel made motion to appoint Lynne. Laura seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
- e) **Update RR Depot restoration funding source:** Linda discussed working with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). She also discussed money available from NDOT (per Mike Workman) with their stipulations on use. She and John will need to get a request in by July 8th. She asked Board approval to apply for this money. Laura made motion to give them the go ahead, Duncan seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Linda presented a second item concerning a plaque and monument to be set up by the Snowshoe Chapter of the E Clampus Vitus (Clampers) organization. Linda has been working with C&C to approve the wording and assure historical accuracy. She will also get approval from the County and the Historical District. Motion made by Bernie to give Linda permission to work with other approving agencies and to resolve issues of placement and wording. Duncan seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Duncan and RR Group wished to reserve their approval after seeing the final monument and location info. Linda will provide picture examples of similar Clamper monuments and related info as she gets more information on this specific monument and plaque. V&T Historical Society has again asked for a tour of the Dayton depot in October.
- f) **RR Depot Committee Report:** Duncan reported on the advertising bill for May History Month from KUNR. County room tax money was used and he will send the bill directly to the County treasurer with his approval. He has applied for the next Room Tax Grant and will be at their membership meeting next Wednesday to ask for \$1000 for RR Days advertising. The loaned RR cart is stored in the garage and needs to be chained down. It will be put on display during the RR Days event. Duncan continues to research its history and usage. He noted that the original floor in the freight room portion of the Depot is very smooth and could have accommodated a cart like the one on loan to us. Laura requests pictures for the Facebook page that Ray Fierro maintains. Duncan continues to work on RR Days planning. Linda has contacted the gold panners and confirmed that they will be setting up their panning demonstration again this year. We will also have music (Canyon White), beer vender, selection of beers, hotdogs, hamburgers, and possibly bratwurst. Concerns expressed over serving alcohol with consensus that liability coverage is sufficient. Duncan also reported on tie plates with one more sold. The previous ones have been engraved and installed. He is working on a marketing plan to sell more. Linda is considering a web based computer form for selling tie plates. Duncan made a motion to approve a RR Days budget of \$2500. Lynne seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motioned carried.
- g) **Approve RR Committee's proposed Artifact Acceptance Parameters/Policy:** reference to item G handout, Duncan read his motion "that no item offered for acquisition by the RR Depot Committee will be accepted to the Depot property until and after it is reviewed and accepted by RR Committee and has BoD approval." Seconded by Mabel. Discussion with concern about losing opportunities to accept items on the spot. Linda remarked that she makes it clear to donors that acceptance is pending on Society approval and with them filling out a donor form. Duncan stated that in general this motion relates to large items. Discussion; that the wording could be added 'that no item weighing more than 50 lbs. be offered for acquisition' suggested by Duncan and agreed to by Stony. Mabel and Lynne suggested that adding a reference to weight would be too wordy. Final motion as read by Mabel excluded any reference to weight. Five in favor, two opposed. Motion passed.

- h) **Concur with RR Committee decision regarding unanticipated box car, Depot property:** reference to item H handout. Duncan read his motion "that the RR Depot committee request the HSDV BoD inform those responsible for the boxcar on the Depot grounds without permission from the RR Depot Committee, remove the boxcar immediately and further inform the responsible parties that they may request a review of the equipment by the RR Depot Committee for the purpose of consideration for acquisition in accordance with the accessions procedures approved by the BoD once it has been removed." Seconded by Mabel. Discussion. Stony suggested that time be allowed to get a truck to pull the boxcar on its trailer. Consensus was to permit 30 days rather than stipulate immediately for the moving of the boxcar. The boxcar is to be moved to a site in Mound House at which time the RR Committee will review the matter and bring their decision before Board. Motion amended to say within 30 days instead of immediately. None opposed, one abstention, motion passed.
- i) **Update on portion of Randall collection:** Laura reported on 'Dixie' Randall who wanted a picture copy from one of the tin types at the museum. The cabinet with tin types that was opened to make copies will be accessioned. To protect the Randall collection a letter will be written with Linda's help. She suggested a notarized affidavit to be put in the file concerning the donated Randall items. Laura will research the original donations as to what was agreed to at the time they were donated and include any records made at the time that date back to when they were received. She and Gloria are reviewing the accessioning committee workload and structure. Mabel suggested it was absolutely vital that both the Historian and Curator be Co-Chairs of the committee doing the accessioning.
- j) **Membership Renewals;** No action in Vicki's absence. Lynne has been collecting membership dues as they are received in the mail, depositing the money, and scanning and saving the info for Vicki.
- k) **Rescheduled: "Yo-Yo Handicraft Workshop"** Rescheduled for July 23rd from 1 to 4 pm.

**NEW BUSINESS / UPDATES:**

- l) **HSDV Committee Chairs contact information** Mabel discussed Item L hand out of HSDV contacts. She requests that the accessioning committee need to add their Chair info. RR Days contact will be Duncan. Mabel will be overseer as the liaison through Linda for the Dayton Valley Committee for the Firehouse-Jail and for the Museum. Other blanks will be filled in later.
- m) **PastPerfect Training Classes** Handed out as an attachment from Gloria listing dates and times in June and July.
- n) **Approve BOD phone vote: application-Room Tax funds** Lynne made motion to accept Mabel's phone vote concerning Duncan's \$1000 application request for room tax money, Laura seconded, all agree, none opposed, motion carried.
- o) **Upcoming General Membership History Moment** Laura will talk about the Lizard Mine and her and Stony's search for it in the Stagecoach Hills.

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:**

- None

**ADJOURN:** At 1:15 pm - motion by Duncan to adjourn, seconded, Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, s/s: *D. L. Dukleth*

David Dukleth, Secretary HSDV *Approved by the Board: July 13, 2016*

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