

# HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF DAYTON VALLEY

## MINUTES – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

August 17, 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 12:34 pm by President Gloria Manning followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Business commenced after the Flag salute. The Agenda for today's meeting was made available.

**Board Members present:** Gloria Manning (Pres.), Mabel Masterman (V. Pres.), Lynne Ballatore (Tres.), David Dukleth (Sec.), Laura Tennant (HSDV Historian), Duncan Lee (Dir.), Phyllis King (Dir.). **Directors not present:** Stony Tennant (Dir.), Pat Neylan (Museum Curator). **Other members present:** Linda Clements, John Crowley, Elaine Bergstrom, Vicki Kinney, Karen Howe, a total of 12 members and three guests including Ken Gray running unopposed for County Commission, Sign-in sheet available in Minutes Files.

### MINUTES:

- The group introduced themselves to the visitors. The previous month's General Membership Meeting minutes were reviewed. One correction; Grace passed away at her son's home rather than her home. Minutes stand approved as corrected. A decision summary of approved motions from last weeks BoD meeting was handed out.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Lynne presented her Treasurer's Report for July detailing HSDV Income and Expenses. Starting Balance: 12,576.97, Income: \$1,738.95, Expenses: \$575.93; Ending Balance: \$13,739.99. No new correspondence.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Gloria reported that the Member Appreciation Picnic hosted by Laura and Stony Tennant is this Saturday, August 20th. Event begins at 2 pm and guests are asked to bring a pot luck side dish such as salads and desserts. Drinks will be furnished as well as hamburgers, hotdogs and related condiments. The Tennant residence is located at 240 Bullion Road at the end of Dayton Valley Road in the Dayton Valley Ranches.
- On August 25th at 7 pm Laura and Stony will be making a PowerPoint presentation on the Dredges of Dayton at the Silverland Inn and Suites in Virginia City. No cost.
- Ken Gray was introduced as one of our five Lyon County Commissioners. He gave a brief bio. He presented some of the issues he will be reviewing relating to mining and private property rights. Mention was made of the Chinese Ditch and related adjacent property that is currently for sale. Laura gave a brief history of the ditch and her remembrances. Concern expressed that the historical ditch be preserved by the County. The documentation of our history was stressed. Karen noted her work on researching the area's history especially at the Carson City Archives where she has been reading early newspapers for Dayton references.
- Karen noted the Comstock Foundation's on-site tour and historical lectures on the Sutro Tunnel. Date choices are either Saturday September 24th (starting 8:30 am) or Sunday September 25th (starting 9:00 am). Cost is \$45 for adults, \$35 for ages 12-17 and seniors. Children under 12 free. Parking for attendees will be at the Sutro School and shuttled to the various sites. Tours will be about 1 1/2 hours covering about five stations or lecture stops. Tickets are only sold on the Comstock Foundation's web site. Pam Abercombie is the contact at the Comstock Foundation. She also reported that Joe Curtis wants to place a sign up in town relating to the discovery of Gold in Gold Canyon. Approval was discussed. Location of sign also discussed. Laura will work with him and report back to Board.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn at 1:05 pm. Cookies, cake, and soft drinks available after History Moment.

### HISTORY TALK:

- Laura described research in general relating to Dayton - Gold Canyon History and misinformation that has been published. She stressed research and correcting errors perpetuated by other 'historians' and the need for using primary sources to resolve discrepancies in published histories. She listed some of the sources she uses which include the earliest area newspapers available.

Respectfully submitted, s/s: *D. L. Dukleth* David Dukleth, Secretary HSDV

Approved by the Board: September 21, 2016

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