

Ortonville Community Historical Society
Minutes of Board Meeting - April 29, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by president Judy Miracle

In attendance: Dean Salley, Larry Lang, Ken Bush, Kevin King, Marie Kuehl, Tom Stowell - Village of Ortonville Liaison, Judy Miracle

Agenda

Dean motioned to approve; Ken seconded. Approved.

No minutes of last meeting

Treasurers report - "Shed" item is leftover from building the new addition. Three checks are outstanding. One to Agnes Oakley, two to Dean Salley; we will reissue them. Dean motioned to approve, Marie seconded. Approved.

Committee Reports:

- a. Membership - we have no leader at this time, but it was suggested that Marie Kuehl would be good at it. She will think about it.
- b. Historical Society Programs - we need ideas for monthly programs, so far we have:
 - a. Speaker for May 21st - Dean Salley is organizing this event - WWII Veteran(s)
 - b. Speaker for June 18th - Dean Salley is organizing this event-"What do you remember about WWII and Rationing?" - suggested speakers, Ron Sutton, Marilyn Featherston, Ken Bush - display his collection of pins. Dean Salley has 1943 Free Press Front Page.

Correspondence:

- a. Evans Architectural Grant - pending
- b. John Lyons - Village Mgr. will put "fixing the outdoor parking lot light" on the agenda
- c. Tom Stowell reports the Village has sent out for bids to repair and repaint the Old Mill

Unfinished Business:

- a. replacement of back door to Mann School - Rotary Club/Ernie Ludwig has volunteered to do this, but still has not occurred
- b. Wood donation from Maple Lane Kennels' 1850 barn, which is falling down, is pending. Dean Salley will investigate and report to the membership if it is feasible for our organization to use it. We need to get back with Midge Stewart - 248-627-4445 asap.
- c. SPOOM Conference - October 2014
 - a. OCHS will print 200 flyers at the Village Offices for minimal fee, to give 120 to the SPOOM representative
 - b. Food for the 120 anticipated visitors - discussion was tabled for membership mtg.
- d. OCHS Newsletter - need people to create, type, copy, fold and mail. Tabled for membership meeting.
- e. Dean reported he had talked with Greg Normand of the Ortonville Cable Station who videotaped the Murder Mystery Party we hosted in Dec. 2013. He said he needed

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some direction on how to edit and print it for us. "Just a bunch of movement". Judy will contact him.

New Business:

- a. Beets, Beats and Eats - we want to participate but need volunteers to bring Country Store items to the Crossman Park. Need someone to take responsibility.
- b. Creekfest - June 21st. - Dan Gaule will report when he gets here.
- c. Noah Cox's Africa Powerpoint Presentation - Noah would like to offer a repeat performance, so others can see it.
- d. Contest - "what is this" in the Citizen Newspaper - maybe take a picture of some aspect of the Old Mill or an artifact and publish it. Ask people to guess what it is. If they guess correctly, publish their picture in next Citizen. Will need ideas and workers for this project.

Old Business:

- a. Work Days - Wednesdays? Marie Kuehl said she is not available on Wed. but maybe another day. We will discuss at membership meeting and determine when is best for the majority; need to archive donations, organize photos, etc in binders and create or redo displays during this time.
- b. Memorial Day - Monday, May 26th; do we do food and how long are we open? Need volunteers.
- c. Display our (6 or so) quilts in the main room in case we get visitors during the Methodist Quilt Show on Friday and Sat.

Adjourned 8:00

Ken motioned, Marie seconded.

Minutes taken, typed and respectfully submitted by Judy Miracle

PS: Saw Dan Gaule as we were leaving the meeting. He reported the following from the DDA meeting as he is OCHS' liaison.

- a. Opening Ceremony for the Creekfest will occur from the Old Mill Museum front porch.
- b. He suggests Noah Cox present his Powerpoint at the Old Town Hall where other events are being held.
- c. DDA would like to provide a Deaf Interpreter for our museum tours that day.