

Minutes of OCHS Membership Meeting—September 10, 2019

Meeting Called to order by President Judy Miracle. Present: Ken Bush, June King, Shauna Quick, Roger Miracle, Mary Kassuba, Scott Broughton, Coleen Skornicka, Mary Alice and Arnold Seelbinder, Ron Sutton, Trina and Larry Lang, Carol Egbo, Beverly Williams, Kari Roehl, Hannah Carter, Kathy Gauthier, Faith Bliss, Lucinda Bellairs, and Debra Jean Minnock. Absent with notice: Candee Allen. Nine board members present.

Pledge of Allegiance—All participated

Approval of Agenda— As amended June motioned & Ken/Shauga seconded--motion carried.

Approval of Minutes—Were not available.

Treasurer's Report—As presented was Ron motioned and Mary Alice seconded—motion carried. Ron pointed out that Brandon Township approved \$2000.00, The Village of Ortonville approved \$2000.00 and Jason Gault approved \$1000.00 for the Blacksmith Shop. These amounts should be on the next report. Ron is going to the Groveland Township monthly meeting in October and hopefully they will make a contribution. The Lions are also considering a contribution. Our community is very generous.

Blacksmith Shop—Blacksmith Committee (Mary Alice, Arnie, Ron, and Mary) made progress report. Ron said the desire is that the Blacksmith Shop will be started by Septemberfest. It would be nice for the community to see the start of the building. There is enough money to pay the builder, yet there are still a lot of items for the inside that need to be handled and the outside barrier to keep people at a safe distance when there are demonstrations. The committee also reminded us we have to keep in mind The Fire Department and Insurance requirements must be observed. There may still be unknown requests from these authorities, even though a lot of questions were asked before the project was in the planning stage. The jars and fund raising must continue.

September fest--September 28, 2019—Apple Pie Contest pies should start arriving by 11:00am and judging an hour or so later. There will be a pie eating contest at 1:00 pm for kids (12 & under), pie eating without using your hands. Fran will have a story telling in the Mann School House. Sue and Jeff will be doing kids crafts, dipped candles, dolls out of spools, and hand looms, also at the Mann School House. The Café (kitchen) will be run by Dan Gault and will serve hot dogs & potato chips, pop, coffee, tea, water, and selling pieces of the apple pies once the contest is decided. Tours of the Mill will be throughout the day. Ken wants to get the large tent up at 9:30am, this depends on how many of the students in need of community service hours volunteer, and the weather.

Witches Night Out—October 12, 2019—Old Mill will once again have the Witches Hat Contest and the Cackling Contest. Mary Robinson is volunteering to be the liaison for this event. There is already an interest for this event and OCHS will be offering soups, coffee and tea for a free will offering. Judy stated we must get a temporary food license. Debra Jean and June will be making soups in the kitchen as the food license does not allow for soups to be made at home and brought to the location. We will greatly accept any offer to assist with the purchase of supplies and help with prepping and cleaning up.

There will be four food trucks, and the local eateries to also feed the hungry witches. Judy will not be here and Candee with a second volunteer is needed to coordinate this event for the OCHS.

Military Cabinet—OCHS is in need to fix the broken glass in a display case in the Military Room. It turns out that not all the glass companies can put glass into display cases. None of the members can do it and we need a professional to do this. There will be more information to follow at a future date on status of repair. Jeff at Rusty Relics gave us Dave's number 810-523-5498 who repaired all of Jeff's cases. We are waiting to hear from Dave. Arnie has been the person who got this information of OCHS. If anyone else knows of any other sources please let OCHS know.

Ghost Tours—October 26, 2019—Saturday night two tours from 8:00pm to 9:30pm then from 10:00pm to 12:00am. Guests should be ages 12 and up and ten or so guests to a group. Randy Adams and Lori Turnbull have assisted in the past and going to ask them again.

Recent Donations—Gravity Grain Separator by Ed Darbenshire and Cream Separator by Fran Mersino.

Class 50th Reunion—Once again we are fortunate to be the location of Brandon High School 50th class reunion. October 5, 2019. Class of 1969.

Election at October Meeting—Individual must be a paid member to vote. Dues for individual are \$15.00 for yearly and \$100.00 for lifetime. Due for family are \$20.00 for yearly and \$200.00 for lifetime. If you want to be a write in please talk to Roger.

Social Media--Wilder Side of Oakland County—A video which the Old Mill Museum is mentioned. Jonathon Schecter, who is a Brandon Fireman has a blog and face book.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm Ken motioned and Beverly seconded —motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by June King