

Minutes of OCHS Membership Meeting—November 12, 2019

Meeting Called to order by Shauna Quick. Present: Ken Bush, June King, Roger Miracle, Mary Kassuba, Scott Broughton, Coleen Skornicke, Mary Alice and Arnold Seelbinder, Ron Sutton, Carol Egbo, Kathy Gauthier, Judy Miracle, Trevor Hall, Lucinda Bellairs, and Faith Bliss. Absent with notice: Candee Allen and Kevin King. Eight board members present.

Pledge of Allegiance—All participated

Approval of Agenda— As amended Ken motioned & Ron seconded--motion carried.

Approval of Minutes—As amended for October 2019 Ron motioned & Scott seconded—motion carried.

Treasurer's Report—As presented Colleen motioned and Ron seconded—motion carried.

Memorial for Larry Lang—OCHS gave a flower arrangement, which no funds were used, members gave personally.

Blacksmith Shop—Blacksmith Committee (Mary Alice, Arnie, Ron Sutton, and Mary) made progress report. Ron said that the Blacksmith Shop will have locks on the doors installed soon. Electrical hope to be finished this fall. There is one coat on stain inside. If a second coat of stain is required for the inside then an additional \$230.00 will be incurred. The cement will not be finished till spring 2020, due to the amount of rain. Should not pour cement with the wet conditions we have had. The ballpark figure on cement is \$3000.00 due to the larger pad required by the fire department. There is still a question on the blacksmith being allowed to sell his product that is not made on the museum site. Scott will speak to the lawyer about 501C3 status on this subject.

Witches Night Out—October 12, 2019 from 4:00pm to 9:00pm—Mary, Candee and Kathy handled any questions that the Witches had about where to go in the Mill. Ron and Jack, Ron's grandson, took applications for the Cackling Contest and the Hat Contest. Hannah was busy stamping pass ports for the guests. Lynda was busy working crowd control and directing guests for the Taro Card readers. The kitchen was open for donation soups: potato, (which Bueches donated), chili, chicken noodle and DJ's grandmothers German Soup. The soups were made by DJ, Lauri Dallape, Shauna, and June. Corn bread was served with the soup. The kitchen also had water, coffee, tea and some pop available, also for a donation.

Ghost Tours—October 26, 2019—Ten persons showed up for the first tour, three for the second. Both tours were sold out , but it was a cold and very windy and rainy night. There was a waiting list but people didn't show up and there was not enough time for the people to get to the Mill for the next tour. Tickets must be prepaid and a no refund policy for no shows. This must be discussed and agreed upon before any more tours are done.

Old Mill Building Signage—Colleen stated that The Village is getting together a standard code on the signage within The Village. Unfortunately there are no decisions due to Dale Stewart is on medical

leave. Signage will be discussed again in 2020. The current museum sign is not what is in keeping with the theme of the age of The Old Mill.

Second Grade Class Visit—October 23, 2019 from 8:30am to 1200pm from Harvey Swanson—Thank you to all the volunteers: Mary Alice, Ken, Mary, Grace, Arnie, Judy, Kathy and Scott. Scott mentioned that the military had problems with some children pulling out the knives from some of the displays, and a parent was not staying with the children and supervising them instead was making remarks to the volunteers.

Oakland County Bicentennial Cemetery Project—Carol volunteered to represent OCHS in the project. OCHS should also think about a tour starting at the Old Mill for the local cemeteries in the area. This needs to be looked at in 2020.

Christmas in the Village—December 7, 2019 from 12:00pm to 5:00pm—Once again we get Santa after parade and OCHS will give out hot cocoa at that time. There will be tours on the Mill conducted during the day, and we will have The Village President read to the children in the Mann School House. Sue and Jeff will be doing crafts in the Mann School House. There will be a bake sale, please sign up to bring an item. Kitchen will be open from 11:30am to 5:30pm or until we are sold out. Mary Alice's bean soup will be served, hot dogs with chips, hot cocoa, water, coffee, tea, and pop.

Environmental Review for Oakland County Road Commission—Shauna got a notice to be sure that project(s) would not be effecting the Old Mill location.

Election for President and Board Member seat vacated by Larry Lang's death will be at the April 2020 meeting—Mary Alice motioned and Ron seconded—motion carried.

Closing for the season—December 14, 2019—10:00am to finished—Please come and put away Christmas decorations and close up the display for the season.

Holiday Dinner—January 14, 2020 from 5:00 to done at Escamilla Amigos on M15. Please RSVP to google phone #248-793-1807.

Meeting adjourned--motioned to end and seconded — motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by June King