

Minutes of OCHS General Membership and Board Meeting—July 12, 2022

Meeting called to order by Scott Broughton. Present: Kathy Gauthier, June King, Mary Alice and Arnie Seelbinder, Mary Kassuba, Wren Frison, Pat George, Daniel Flood, Ken Bush, Alan Allgaier, Roger Miracle, and Tom Roberts. Absent with notice: Judy Miracle and Shauna Quick. Six board members present.

Pledge of Allegiance—All participated.

Agenda—As amended to add Hammer In— Mary motioned and June seconded— motion carried.

Minutes—As presented—Mary Alice motioned and Arnie seconded—motion carried.

Treasurers Report—as presented—June motioned and Mary seconded—motion carried.

Blacksmith Update—Tom is requesting OCHS purchase a swage block which was found locally on property which was once owner by a blacksmith. A swage block is used to bend iron. The owner stated that he wanted \$1100.00 for it and is not in the financial position to donate it to the museum. He will not consider other offers until July 13, 2022, because of the OCHS meeting on July 12, 2022. After discussion Scott motioned not to buy the swage block, Ken seconded. Motion passed by seven not to purchase and 2 to purchase. Numerous individuals stated that if the owner would lower the price to \$500.00, then OCHS would purchase.

Repair of Old Mill Update—Pat George stated there is hope that the painting will be completed by this fall, but problems with getting labor for the project. Panic bar for basement is on order.

Benches on porch—Alan repaired the bench that had rotten wood. It needs to be painted. Scott motioned that it should be painted forest green and Ken seconded. Motion passed. We need volunteers to paint the benches, there are four of them.

Farmers Market—August 6 is the date for OCHS to have a table. Ken and Scott volunteered to man the table. The market is open from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. OCHS will sell rugs Grace made on the loom and Wren stated he will have

Ortonville Glass, which is tumbled glass. Discarded glass containers found in the village and put in a tumbler. This is like sea glass, but man made. Reuse--recycle

Annual Picnic Tuesday August 9, 2022 at 5:00 pm. It will be a bring your own meal and OCHS will supply water and dessert.

Septemberfest-- September 23, and 24 the Old Mill will be open. OCHS will host the pie eating contest for the kids. June King volunteered to co-ordinate this. There will be a pie judging contest returning after two years of COVID19. The OCHS will sell the pies by the pieces after the judging. Kitchen will still be closed. There are a lot of food trucks and the Lions will have their beer tent and food.

Hammer In—Tom gave information on what is a Hammer In. It is a group of blacksmiths working/demonstrating blacksmithing. It could bring a lot of people down to the Old Mill during Septemberfest. They are willing to spend Saturday night and be there Saturday and Sunday, September 23, and 24, 2022. Scott motioned for up to 10 blacksmiths could participate. Ken seconded the motion and passed unanimously. Pat will talk to Ryan (Village Manager) to verify it is ok with the Village.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm—Scott motioned and Ken seconded—motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by June King, Secretary