

# Anderson Island Historical Society Minutes

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

## ANDERSON ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### OFFICERS

Bob Bedoll  
President

Ed Stephenson  
Past President

Pat McGoldrick  
Vice President &  
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Kathleen Treichel  
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Todd Billett  
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Rick Anderson  
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Education

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Services

Wayne Wallace  
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Facilities

Sutton Stevens  
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**Museum Store**  
Kathy Bailey  
Leslie Lamb

**Committee Chairs & Task  
Managers**  
Lois Scholl: Bernice Hundis  
Acquisitions: Liane Heckman  
Docents: Peggy Hodge  
Landscaping:  
Jane Croppenberger  
Gardens: Sue Huseby  
Food: Events: Marsha Howells  
Specials: Dick Throm  
Web: Bob Bedoll  
Vehicles: Dave Hummel

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

**MARCH 14, 2018 7PM AT ARCHIVAL BUILDING**

### Call to Order and Verification of Quorum

Attendance: President Bob Bedoll was not in attendance, Vice President Pat McGoldrick was in attendance and called the meeting to order. At 7:01 PM. A quorum was established. Also in attendance were Ed Stephenson, Todd Billett, Peggy Hodge, Liane Heckman, Dick Throm, Kelly Hinds, Rick Anderson, Bernice Hundis and Kathleen Treichel

### Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda was adopted as amended

### Approval of February Board Minutes

The minutes of February 14, 2018 were approved as written.

## REPORTS

### Education Report: Peggy Hodge

- Peggy will be taking info for Sounder – deadline March 15.
- There will be no April Potluck
- We do have a speaker for March 24, which will be Karen Haas as Eliza Meeker.
- No potlucks scheduled for April - August until September.
- Will need a check for 250 made out to Karen,
- No speakers lined up for next year yet but working on it.
- Peggy did a tour last week for 5 people from Olympia, and they were museum people; great positive feedback about the posters that they gave a sense of where and who we are.
- Side note: it took them about 30 minutes, and may take about 1.5 hours for this part of the tour once the display cases are filled.
- Had Docent training and will have training March 31 - 5-6 new docents are expected to attend.
- Peggy needs to know how to get the sandwich boards out for the March potluck.

## **Operations and Facilities Report - Wayne Wallace**

- Commercial kitchen rental probably not workable. Lynne is researching.
- Barn work-party needed to organize all the artifacts inside the barn, Gem car will be out and the old running gear will go in there. Car will be placed in storage area and locked.
- Concrete to be poured for sidewalk and HC parking area, working on getting White's over.
- Gardens water is on, looking good, and rototiller getting plots in shape.
- Vast majority of plots are paid.
- Farm Sale on Farm Day: still sorting out what we are going to put in the sale, could lay it outside on pallets and hope it doesn't rain. Selling Bldg. materials, equipment and lawn art. May 26
  
- Replacing windows in Coop 2 has become an asbestos-lead situation - lead based paint, so we need to take precautions, don't breathe it in. Dust and masks, take out all the windows and replace with plexiglass. Looking at how to repair this correctly and safely.
- John Field is our custodian of this building. We have lost our custodian of Coop 2 and bathrooms, Krys Wallace will take over. Please relay to John from us that he's doing a good job.
- Feedback from John is please push chairs back into the table after meetings and pick up papers.
- Question from Peggy: will items in the farm sale be fixed price or auction or silent auction? Wayne said probably silent auction format.
- Wayne will be around for the whole thing so he can negotiate pricing questions etc.

## **Archival report - Rick Anderson**

- Archival report and committee status, Bob placed books in a display case to show progress.
- Rick and Kat went through all the boxes from Coop 1 and separated out surplus items.
- These need to be reviewed, but many items like old magazines can be deaccessioned .
- Other items in the file cabinet in the storage room are being evaluated.
- Kat has been working on the brooder house, and it's been cleaned out and prepped for arranging.
- A collections policy was found in the files. It is unclear whether it was ever adopted. Rick has been rewording it and will submit it to the Board in the near future.
- 7 of the new display cases in the archival building have volunteer curators.
- Coop 1 needs coordination for cataloging and displaying the collection there.
- Brian Magnussen, founder of the Nordic Study Circle, a current resident of Sweden, has archives related to his work that he has offered us. It is unclear how much bearing these have on Anderson Island, but Rick will try to get more information on this and bring it to the board.
- Memorandum of Agreement with American Legion. Edits and input from Pat and Ed. Added item 11, wherein AIHS and Legion mutually hold each other harmless for losses or damage to the items in the display. It was moved and seconded to approve this Agreement. Motion carried.
- Bernice mentioned that in redoing this area make sure people are aware that the weather records written on the walls in Coop 2 are of historic significance.
- Bernice comments most things should be secured in cabinets. Recently, the building has been open during concerts because of the bathrooms, but perhaps we should rethink this policy.
- Information for clarification: the North wall of Coop 1 has random weather records from the war era, written in pencil. They are fading, so we might consider preserving them some way.

## **Archival Building Report - Ed Stephenson**

- We are currently working a circuit breaker issue.
- The switch to display case lights go to one switch, which will be mounted inside the door to the kitchen.

- Jane and Jeannie are working on installing a courtyard at the west entrance to the building. Current estimate for doing the work ourselves is \$3500. Two people have volunteered for this.
- A recent visitor has offered to donate the whole cost of the courtyard. Jane will go ahead and get pavers and get an invoice soon to secure this donation.
- Ed is administering a grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce: \$26K less fees = about \$23K left for AIHS. After many emails, the commerce department has agreed how we will allocate the money, which includes the boardroom table, bookcases display cases, all items related to displays. Todd will separate out the invoices for various items purchased for displays. Insurance policy money must be set aside for a brief period in order to ensure that the funds are used correctly.

**Acquisitions Report** - Lianne Heckman stated regarding the carpets from Coop 1, we need to determine if they are sellable, if so sell at Farm sale.

- Chuck and Kelly Hinds donated a grooved rock sinker, which has been placed in the display case for Indigenous Peoples with a picture from Hillary Stewarts book showing the exact item, which was used to hold down nets or lines for fishing. We need a deed of gift. Ed noted that it should be set on some kind of material to stabilize it.

**Lois Scholl Report - Bernice**

- Cutting up a mattress cover, and working on quilt display
- Bernice turned over a technical Notebook to Rick.

**Community Services and AIHS Events -**

- Events: Easter Egg Hunt on the 31st
- Spring Island Band Concert May 5
- Farm Day - May 26
- Garden Market Start (?)
- Salmon Bake - July 7
- AM Legion Picnic - July 28
- Island Band Concert - Aug 11
- Apple Squeeze (October)
- September Potluck
- October Potluck
- Trunk or Treat Oct 31
- AIHS Annual Meeting (NOV)
- Open House Farmhouse Dec 3 or 10
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**Reminder to all: if you have an event, write it on the calendar, located in the office on the windowsill.**

**Treasury Report - Todd Billett**

- February Income \$1832.60
- February Expenses \$1835.45
- Net income (\$2.85)
- Total checking and Savings \$238,619.44
- Total Assets \$714,614.85

**Secretary's Report - Kelly Hinds**

Kelly tendered her resignation as Secretary. The Board expressed its appreciation for her efforts and input and encouraged her to put her love of history to work.

It was moved and seconded to accept Kelly's resignation and appoint Kathleen Treichel as Secretary. Motion carried.

#### **Museum Store Report - Kathy Bailey**

Please see the fiscal report attached.

- 2017 Total Income \$32,819.90
- Gross Profit \$15,880.95
- Donated to AIHS \$13,000.00
- Kathy and Margaret Gilbert are working on the 2018 Telephone book
- Store opens on April 7th

It was moved and seconded to accept the Museum Store fiscal report for 2017. Motion carried. Much appreciation was expressed to Kathy for her report and the excellent efforts and contributions of the Museum Store Staff.

#### **Task List – Rick Anderson**

- Review property tax exemption – in progress
- Easter Egg hunt - scheduled
- Inspect all fire extinguishers. Done
- Check sprinkler heads in orchard -pending
- Non-profit report will start in April - not due until May

**The Meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM**