

Greater Hansville Community Center

Minutes of November 4, 2015 Board Meeting

Present: Connie Gordon, Chris Brinton, Lindsey Vallance, Judy Tallman, Don Lynch, Paul Warner, Ed Gronseth, Lynn Hix, Lois Lee, Chuck Strahm and Celia Grether.

Absent: Carolyn Barry and Robin Anderson

Guests: George Briese, Christy Mackey, M. J. Strahm, Susan Dunning, Ramona Rafferty, Zander Walker and Boy Scout Troop 1555 (list of scouts attending at the end of minutes).

Scout Charter Document Signing: The official agreement for GHCC to charter Scout Troop #1555 was signed by GHCC and Troop Representatives. The members of the Scout Troop, leaders and some of their parents were all in attendance. Chuck Strahm will be the representative from GHCC to the scouts.

Introduction: The retiring editor of the Log, Susan Dunning and assistant editor, M. J. Strahm were introduced and thanked for their generous support. The new editor, Ramona Rafferty was introduced and welcomed.

The Meeting was called to order by President Connie Gordon

Minutes: The October meeting minutes were corrected, Don Lynch moved that they be accepted, seconded by Chuck. Motion to accept as corrected passed.

Treasurer's Report: Lindsey reported that 2 Certificates of Deposit matured and they were combined into one CD and renewed. She then reviewed the financials. Chuck moved to accept and Ed seconded, motion to accept passed.

Warming Station Training: George Briese reported the training session has been rescheduled for Saturday November 7th from 9:00-12:30. This is training and retraining for those who would respond when the warming station is in use.

Events: Judy Tallman reported that

- Octoberfest was well attended and received. Entertainment included Karaoke. Next year they plan to reconfigure the event to June so it does not fall so close to the Wine Social.
- Tuesday Talk last month went well but a small attendance. Liberal arts topics do not seem to have as big a turn out. She is working on topics for next year's calendar.
- Wine Social is sold out two weeks in advance. Working to encourage people to bid on auction items this year.

Book Sale: Lynn Hix reported we had the best book sale on record with \$1,090.50 earned. She also reported on her negotiations with Thrift Books Global for them to take our leftover books for sale with proceeds to go to GHCC. Ed reviewed the contract and made a few suggestions. Lindsey moved that we accept the contract and secure them for sale of our left over books, Celia seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Christmas Puppets: will be here on December 17th at 7:00 PM. The program is enjoyed by all.

Rummage Sale: Drop off months are: January, April, May, June and July. Hours will be 10:00-1:00 with the hour after from 1:00-2:00 for volunteers to clean-up and sort. This year we will sort the received items and immediately donate to Goodwill items we know will not sell instead of storing them. Paul Warner is coordinator for our Navy volunteers. Rummage sale is in need of a marketing and advertising person.

Person of the Year: recommendations were made and approved. There will be two individuals this year.

Membership: M.J. gave the report for Carolyn. There were 350 individual/family/business memberships this year.

Communication and Landscaping: Don said a new motion light and tree trimming have given more light in the parking lot.

Rental: There was no rental report this month.

Maintenance: Chuck Strahm reported:

- Painting will be delayed until spring
- Parking Light repairs are underway with the trench dug, wiring in and waiting for inspection
- Generator has been serviced
- The old pleated shades have been permanently removed as well as the cleats. There are no plans at this time to replace them.
- Floor refinishing will be scheduled

Endowment: Lois Lee reported that the Endowment Advisory Committee and some of the Board Members had a meeting with Morgan Stanley on October 30th to review the portfolio and the economy. She is working with several others to highlight the Endowment in the coming year. Activities include:

- An article in the Log
- Letter to past donors to encourage continued support
- Develop a brochure about the Endowment and planned giving
- Planned giving seminar with the assistance of Morgan Stanley
- Continue to invitations to donors to some of the events

Neighbors Lunch: Lois Lee reported we had 86 people attend and the firefighters provided and cooked hamburgers. The program honored our local veterans and was well received. GHCC purchased the lunches for the veterans. The firefighters will do burgers again next year in May and September.

Endowment Funding: Chris made a recommended that we consider a policy change that would allot a percentage of the proceeds of fund raising events be automatically contributed to the Endowment as part of our long-term budgeting. There was a productive discussion about this idea. Ed recommended that we look at the funds available and our capital maintenance allotments and see if these are in line and if some of the funds could be reallocated. It was determined that these ideas would be explored in more depth as part of the Budget / Finance meeting to develop next year's budget.

Those volunteering to be on the Budget committee are: Chuck, Celia, Chris, Lindsey, Lois, Connie and George Briese as an advisor on maintenance issues. Chris will send an email to all to schedule.

Old Business:

Old Records: Lynn and Judy volunteered to consolidate the records and files in the store room.

Connie will contact Garden Club and ask them to consolidate their supplies in the store room.

Lois will find a place for the Historical Society Records

Neighbors Lunch coordinator: Lois volunteered to continue to do this until another could be found.

New Business:

Paul Warner asked to have us consider doing a cribbage night. There was discussion about doing this as part of another event such as the spaghetti feed and for him to come back with more details of his proposal.

Lindsey suggested we might produce a Hansville Calendar for sale in 2017 as a fund raiser. She will do more research and come back with information.

Connie said there was a public notice that would be posted in the Log regarding bulkheads.

Connie said the Kingston Rotary was interested in doing an outreach project with GHCC.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM

Next meeting: December 2, 2015.

List of those Scouts from Troop 1555 and Scout Families attending the signing ceremony prior to the meeting:

Brett Jones, Gordon Christenson, Denny James, Seth Hillsberry, Jay Ashford-Downing, Mclean Borners, Jeff Bowers, John Hangenbrock, Tori Ashford-Downing, Mitchell Jones, Mike Woltersdorf, Kelly Yeager, Joe James, Kate Oehler, Duane, Sara, Lorenzo and Marta Drummond and Ben Woltersdorf.