

PORT ST. LUCIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.
In – Person at Botanical Gardens and Virtual Meeting via Zoom
Minutes – September 28, 2020

Meeting called to order by Chair Christensen at 4:05 PM. Pledge led by Christensen.

Present in person: Jack Kelly, Patricia Christensen, Dennis Grabhorn, Linda Bagley, Paula Lewis and Maria Bordonaro. On Zoom - Christine Williams and Terissa Aronson.

Absent: N/A

Other attendees: Mary Dodge, Richard McAfoos, Cathy Farrell, Barbara Ann Smith and on Zoom -Dr. Deery, Lee Hicks, and Wade Wilnow.

Establishment of Quorum and recognition of recording devices.

R. McAfoos recorded

Additions or deletions to the Agenda: None

Consent Agenda:

Meeting Minutes for the regular meeting August 25, 2002.

Treasurer's Reports for August 2020.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Jack Kelly, seconded by Paula Lewis, passed unanimously

Old Business:

Report on Historic Houses- Chair Christensen reported that City Council approved the Lease between the City and PSLHS on second reading on Sept. 14. Jennifer Davis, the City CRA Director will continue to work with us on the Project and will assist in other areas as well. She would like to attend a future meeting to discuss the progress.

Future Board Meetings – The board decided to continue with in person meetings but to also offer Virtual for those members who feel safer doing virtual.

Future Fundraising Committee- Vice Chair Grabhorn is taking the lead on the paver project fundraiser. Board member Bordonaro agreed to assist. Additional details will be coming forward.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer Comments- Treasurer Williams reported that she was working on the Budget for 2021.

Membership –Chair Bagley reported there were 3 new members, one business level and 2 individual memberships. She also reported the Guest Book set up on the website, with several visitors signing it.

Gatherings – No Gatherings in October. That is the date for America's Amazon. There was brief discussion about an in person Gathering for the Holiday Gathering in December. Board members Bordonaro and Bagley made suggestions. Chairman suggested further discussion with those interested in organizing the event.

Events -

- a. **Report on Movie Night: America's Amazon:** Member Dodge reported that the movie is scheduled for October 21 at Santa Lucia. Board member Bordonaro said the room will be set up for Social Distancing. Movie type food items and a cash bar will be available. Masks will be required. Max 100 attendees. Dodge will send out announcement through Facebook to see if additional tickets can be sold. Emails will be sent to all those already purchasing tickets.
- b. **Communications** – Chair Dodge

- a. Website - Status Quo – No news to report currently.
- b. Social Media – A few posts on America’s Amazon
- c. Newsletter – Status Quo – No news to report currently.
- d. Archiving - Chair Dodge: - Chair Dodge reported that she was still concerned about going in but would consider going in to catch up.
- e. Videos/Oral Histories – Vice President Grabhorn: Is ready to go.

New Business:

1. **City’s 60th Anniversary** – Chair Christensen reported that the City’s 60th Anniversary is in April. She wanted to query the Board on the level of involvement. With all that is on the Board’s plate now, the City should take the lead. The consensus was that the City will plan any celebration and the Society would consider participating at a later date.
2. **River Nights** – Chair Christensen reported River Nights begins in October. She asked if we would be participating. The Board agreed to begin in October. Board members Bagley and Bordonaro agreed to assist in the booth.
3. **Mary Dodge addressed the Board** and requested consideration of tipping both John Nelson and Mark, who we contracted with for the audio/visual equipment for the numerous rescheduling of the American Amazon Event. Nelsons would be a donation to Audubon and Mark’s would be a tip. The Board discussed and a motion was made by Linda Bagley and seconded by Jack Kelly to tip each \$100.00. Motion passed unanimously

Board Member Comments: None

Members to be Heard: Barbara Ann Smith, a new member, and representative of the Daughter’s of the American Revolution introduced herself and another DAR Member, Cathy Farrell. They attended to report that they are very interested in working with the Society on the museum project and wanted to donate items, such as a Park Bench and other items as needed. Ms. Smith also mentioned that she had accessibility to antique dealers that could assist in furnishing the houses.

Adjournment: Motion by Linda Bagley, second Maria Bourdanaro, adjourned at 5:12 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Terissa Aronson
10/20/2020