

**PORT ST. LUCIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.**  
**In-Person at the PSL Botanical Gardens and Virtual Meeting via Zoom**  
**Minutes – February 23, 2021**

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

**Present in person:** Christine Williams, Maria Bordonaro, Paula Lewis, Wade Wilnow, Patricia Christensen, Dennis Grabhorn, Linda Bagley, Jack Kelly, (arrived late). On Zoom, Barbara Ann Smith, joined after her election to the board.

**Absent:** Travis Walker

**Other attendees (In Person or Zoom):** Mary Dodge, Richard McAfoos, Barbara Ann Smith and Milt Koster.

Establishment of Quorum. There was a self-introduction of attendees

**Additions or deletions to the Agenda-**Chair wanted to add to New Business as item 11a. for discussion of Secretary Position. A motion to approve the agenda with the addition was made by Terissa Aronson, seconded by Wade Willnow. Motion passed unanimously.

**Consent Agenda:** Meeting Minutes for the regular meeting January 26, 2021.

Treasurer's Reports for January 2021.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Terissa Aronson, seconded by Wade Willnow, motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business:**

**Report on Historic Houses-**Chair Christensen reported that there wasn't much to report. The City has the site plan with the brick paver patio, provided by Culpepper and Terpening.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance Committee-** Treasurer Williams reported that things are going well with the bookkeeper, Kathy LeClair. There are a few glitches in reporting information to her but working through them. Also, the Society raised \$265. at Botanica in donations, raffles and book sales

**Membership-**Chair Bagley reported 6 new members and 1 renewal. Membership renewal notices were sent out again of February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Brick Paver Fundraiser-**Co Chairs Grabhorn and Bordonaro gave an update. There was some discussion about the process of using Paypal and how the orders will be managed. Chair Christensen recommended a Virtual Meeting for the Committee to meet and speak to Mike Breen from Brick Markers, so everyone can get their questions answered. She will schedule for some time in March. Mary Dodge is designing a marketing brochure and will also look further into the website

**Events Committee**

- a. **Society Gatherings-**Maria Bordonaro reported that the 24<sup>th</sup> is a go. It was agreed by consensus that the cost would be \$20 with \$15 pp going to Santa Lucia. Finger food and a beverage ticket. Cash bar optional. Jack Kelly recommended a speaker from Boys and Girls Club, Youth of the Year. There will be a gift basket to raffle off. Christine Williams will donate items from Shell Bazaar. Other items will be purchased as needed. There are still items left from the holiday baskets.

- b. **River Night**-Chair Christensen asked for volunteers for March 11-Christine Williams and Dennis Grabhorn volunteered. Williams mentioned that Rochella Riordan will also volunteer.
- c. **Botanica**-Christine Williams opened the discussion, again reporting about the sales, Linda Bagley mentioned the crowd was good and there was interest on people to join. Raffle basket went over well. The rain dampened the Saturday afternoon. Overall a good event.

#### **Communications**

- a. **Website**-Status quo
- b. **Social Media**-Need to promote the events.
- c. **Newsletter**-Dennis's brother-in-law, Niles has volunteered. A work in progress
- d. **Archiving**-Mary Dodge thinks things are going well, and she is beginning to get into the office a bit more. She requested that we purchase two new backup hard drives.
- e. **Videos/Oral Histories**-Chair Christensen reported that she is still waiting for the City staff to get her the dates they are available to assist with the project.

#### **New Business**

- a. Chair Christensen said that Paula wanted to address the Board. She would like to step down as Secretary. Christensen mentioned that Barbara Ann Smith has agreed to take the position. Christensen announced that Barbara Ann Smith agreed to come on to the Board and fill the position of secretary. There was little discussion. A motion was made by Christine Williams, seconded by Jack Kelly. Motion passed unanimously.

**Board Member Comments**-None

**Members to be Heard**-None

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Wade Willnow, seconded by Dennis Grabhorn. Adjourned at 5:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Ann Smith  
March 19, 2021