

PORT ST. LUCIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

ZOOM MEETING

Minutes – January 4, 2022. This meeting was rescheduled from December 28, 2021

Meeting called to order by Chair Christensen at 12:00 PM. Pledge led by Christensen.

Board Members Present by Zoom: Patricia Christensen, Terissa Aronson, Christine Williams, Maria Bordonaro, Dennis Grabhorn, Wade Wilnow, Linda Bagley and Barbara Ann Smith. Jack Kelly entered late.

Board Members Absent: Travis Walker and Paula Lewis

Committee Chairs Present: Mary Dodge

Other attendees: Rochella Riordan and Richard McAfoos

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

Additions or deletions to the Agenda – no additions or deletions

Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Wade Wilnow seconded by Linda Bagley, motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes for the regular meeting October 2021 and Treasurer's report for October and November 2021.

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Wade Wilnow, seconded by Linda Bagley, motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Report on Historic Houses-Chair Christensen reported continued monthly meetings with the City. Research is being done to get ideas on making sure benches will be true to era. Renovations should have already begun; issues from preventing this should be resolved by the end of the month.

DAR Grant- Rochella Riordan reported the Saint Lucie Chapter grant was filed with the NSDAR on December 21, 2021. We will hear the decision by the second week of May 2022.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee- Treasurer Williams reported the December gathering net profit was \$213 with 27 attendees. Mayor of Port St. Lucie City, Sharon Martin donated \$500.00 from her campaign funds to the Society.

Budget- Terissa Aronson, report attached. Jack Kelly made a motion to approve the budget and was seconded by Wade Willnow, motion passed unanimously.

Membership- Linda Bagley reported we have 30 renewals and will share the updated list. All board members (that have not already) must renew membership prior to January 25th to be in good standing.

Brick Paver Fundraiser- Maria Bordonaro will have an update out soon, will ask the city to advertise. Chair Christensen asked how the resolution to the Sales Tax was coming. Treasurer Williams said Maria, Mary and she have been in contact with the company and PayPal and no resolution has been found. She stated that a new order page is necessary, but Brick Markers is not amendable to doing it. Chair Christensen said she will make a final attempt and then the committee will have to meet to decide whether how they will proceed.

Events Committee:

- a. **Society Gatherings-** Maria Bordonaro reported the next gathering confirmed for February 16th. Jack Kelly to set up a speaker. Suggested speaker Jesus Merejo.
- b. **Arts Show in the Garden-** not attending this year.
- c. **Botanica-** After a discussion of last years weather related events and a lack of volunteers for this year, Christine Williams made a motion not to attend this year due to lack of volunteers Jack Kelly seconded, motion passed unanimously. As a side note, the tent was damaged in the storm last year, and the Society may consider purchasing a new tent for future events.

Communications:

- a. **Website-** Mary Dodge reported she took down the Christmas references. People can now sign up for membership without paying sales tax.
- b. **Social Media-** Chair Christensen asked that some Facebook information go up about the bricks more frequently.
- c. **Newsletter-** Patricia Christensen will be attempting to get one out each quarter. A new issue should go out in late January or early February.

Other Actives:

- a. **Archiving-** Mary Dodge has been putting in a few hours each week.
- b. **Videos/Oral Histories-** Wade Willnow discussed we can leave the equipment in the room that people will be interviewed in just not set up. Set up only takes a couple of minutes so that is not a problem. Dennis Grabhorn offered to stop by and check the room out.

New Business:

- a. **January Annual Meeting-** The meeting will be held in person at Botanical January 25, 2022 at noon.
- b. **Lease Agreement Between PSLHS and SLRDAR-** A proposed lease agreement was presented for approval for a lease agreement from the PSL Historical Society and Saint Lucie River Chapter, DAR for a 2' x 8' space to be sublet for \$1.00 a month, at one of the Historical Houses. Motion made by Wade Willnow and seconded by Christine Williams, motion passed unanimously.

Members to be Heard-Jack Kelly suggested that Met season is coming and thought it would be great to have a PSLHS sponsored night if they have a regular season this year. Terissa Aronson suggested possibly a piggy back in August with the Chamber night may be good. She will investigate and report back next meeting.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Wade Wilnow, seconded by Christine Williams. Adjourned at 12:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Ann Smith, January 19, 2022