

**MINUTES WRCL QUARTERLY MEETING  
WALDEN'S RIDGE CIVIC LEAGUE  
OCTOBER 18, 2024- DRAFT FOR APPROVAL  
WRCL Auditorium**

Call to order at 7:10 PM

INVOCATION delivered by guest Randy Eubanks  
PLEDGE to the Flag

ROLL CALL In attendance Mark Dwyer, Carolyn Longphre, Vicki Love, Karen Stone, Johanne Albright. Absent: Judith Dwyer, Neil Cox, Rita Smith Irvin

WELCOME from the President: Mark Dwyer

MINUTES from July 2024 Quarterly meeting were read by Vicki Love and corrected. Motion to approve by Mark Dwyer. Seconded by Karen Stone. Approved by Board unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Neal Cox prepared; Mark Dwyer presented. Discussion entailed. One correction needed: 4 bands are listed as expenses page 3 however not all are reflected on page 1. Board would like a complete report on Bar-B-Que event to reflect expenses and earnings.

Blue Cumberland apparently was never paid. Motion introduced by Karen Stone to increase their earnings to \$300 (from \$100) Carolyn Longphre seconded. Unanimous vote to approve.

Mark gave detailed report on *Smoke on the Mt.* Bar-B-Que event and facilities report on building encapsulation.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Discussions on land now available after clearing brush around foundation of old Boy Scout cabin (+/- 1/2 acre) on the property. Possible transition to Native Plant exhibit. Comment was that we should consider something that will generate income. For example, a wedding venue suggested by a visiting wedding planner. Melissa Nimon, landscape architect, has agreed to take a look at the entire property and make some suggestions (*pro-bono.*) Discussion will be continued at another meeting.

Mark Dwyer moved that we get a Soil Survey (\$300-500 range) to determine if we can add men's and women's restrooms at the Highway Patrol building area.

Karen seconded and unanimous vote by the Board to accept.

Discussion on the roof of the concrete Highway Patrol building. Mark suggested that the building should be converted to a Concession Stand with a working kitchen. He envisions the addition of a roofed area to give shelter, and which could also become

income generating. Mark will gather estimates on a galvanized steel roof on the building to ensure many years of carefree use. All in agreement.

Brief discussion of *Smoke on the Mountain* and the help by former Board member JoDe Estes. Note that the wooden prizes spearheaded by Mark Dwyer were made from the White Oak that is being used to encapsulate the building.

Discussion of upcoming event *Merry Mountain Christmas* on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

Items: Mark Dwyer will reenact his role of Santa. Dialed-In Chiropractic will return with children's crafts booth; Bonfire; S'mores. Roxie will be asked to head Gingerbread Houses by Signal Mtn school classes; hayride; little flameless candles available for those attending tree lighting and Christmas Carols (Someone to lead carols will be finalized.) Inflatables with lights & music for the hayride. Charge for tickets to hayride and food to generate revenue. Vicki Love, Carolyn Longphre have agreed to do a simple food booth such as hot dogs and chili, chips, drinks for sale. Randy Eubanks said he would like to grill the hot dogs and will check his schedule. Blue Cumberland will be asked to play - perhaps 6-7 PM

Initial discussion of event *Tell It on the Mountain* April 4, 2025

The group from Cleveland is scheduled. There will be some changes to their previous participation, new stories and fewer stories. Mark will approach Ascension (Alexian) to inquire if there are any residents that might be interested in participating and for a bus of residents the night of the event. Discussion to continue at future meeting.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Vicki Love resigned as of this meeting from Secretary and Executive Board due to lack of time. Karen Stone requested Vicki remain on Board (free of special duties) and Vicki agreed.

Karen Stone volunteered to serve as Interim Secretary until a permanent replacement can be found. Moved by Mark to make the appointment and seconded by Carolyn Longphre. Vote for approval was unanimous.

Carolyn Longphre agreed to continue her duties as Vice President. Neal Cox will remain as Treasurer. Mark Dwyer will remain as President.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Next Quarterly Meeting January 16th, 2025, at 7 PM