

BAHS Membership Minutes August 31, 2023

Present: Carl Bilski, President; Judy Galo, VP; Nola Benjamin Lowther, recording secretary; Joyce Petchler, Treasurer; Sam Boyer, corresponding secretary; Gary Fuller, trustee; Cindy Kintop, trustee; Linda Scarcella, trustee; Katie Georgekopoulos, Market chair; Dave Goodyear, Patty Fuller, Nancy Page, Carol Gannon, Ed Kelly, Rick Scheutzow, Kristy Piper, Jason Niedermeyer.

Call to Order: 6:32 pm

Signs for Outbuildings: Carl Bilski had an engraved wooden sign made for each building. He suggested the signs be removed in winter months. **Motion passed unanimously to hang the signs.**

Painting outbuildings: Roger Keller will obtain paint for the outhouse which has been prepared for paint. Sam will contact Behr Paint for a discount.

Christmas ornaments: Judy passed around a mockup ornament of the Bell Tower. Creative Adhesive Products have many ornament styles. The OSM arch could also be an ornament. A suggestion was made to make refrigerator magnets, as well.

Minutes from Membership July 26. Motion passed to accept with correction of spelling concert.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce reported **attached** end of August General checking has \$7292; end of July OSM/Belltower savings has \$537; end of July memorial account has \$4380; Restoration pass through account has \$100.

OSM soft opening August 6: Judy reported that the tape of the panel is unintelligible. John Wasilko may have ideas to fix it.

Bell Tower dedication August 6: Judy reported that it went well.

Sunday at the Farm: Katie reported that the August 6 picnic was poorly attended. At 12 weeks of Sunday Markets, \$3100 profit after expenses. Upcoming events...September 3 is sports day which was announced on social media and at the schools. A group photo of attendees in sportswear will be taken. Some vendors will sell sports items. September 10 is the butterfly release. September 17 is Uncle Dave's farm animals, Eli the knife sharpener and a book signing for an anti-bullying book by Stephen Tako. September 24 is school birdhouse drawing. September 30 is canine costume day. October 8 finale 10-5 with belly dancers, line dancers, pumpkins, hayrides and final bench raffle drawing, warm up trick or treat with kids wearing their costumes and trick or treat with vendors. Parking volunteers are needed September 17 and October 8. Two of the 3 benches made by Rick Scheutzow have been raffled for \$479 profit thus far.

Parchen/Towslee gazebo: Judy reported that Carl DeForrest, city manager, said the gazebo can be moved to Heritage Farm. We will ask the city for an additional acre of land for gazebo placement. Kristy Pieper and Beth Crause are joining the fundraising team to move and place the gazebo. Roger and Carl need to decide if the gazebo will sit on gravel or concrete. The pavers currently around the gazebo may be too fragile to move. Cindy recommended that the craftsmen who built the gazebo be contacted about moving it. Sam thanked Kristy Pieper for bringing the wooden lectern from the Towslee school.

OFCC remaining grant funds: Judy reported that the Board voted the remaining funds be spent largely on OSM landscaping. Brian Ousley's bid includes a brick border on the west and south sides. OSM has outside drainage problems from gutters. Carl recommended adjusting the gutters. The swale will need to be finished later because the vendor dropped out.

Dirt pile behind OSM: left from building construction. It is believed to be mostly topsoil. Dave recommended the dirt be sold. Carl said to call Lamphear.

Upcoming programs: Sam and Linda will arrange programs on old Brunswick families during better weather months. Carl is assembling his school cohort for a panel discussion. A recommendation was made to contact Cleveland Metroparks to talk about Hinckley dam. Ed Kelly has educational CDs that could be used. Carol Gannon recommended a program on churches. Dave said a meeting place for upcoming membership meetings should be identified.

Fundraising: Judy reported that the September concert is cancelled and may be held next summer. She said there may be a soup supper like the one held in 2020. But there will not be unlimited soup, tickets will be sold in advance, and it will be held at Goodyear Barn. Dave recommended a Brunswick bus tour.

Adjourn: 7:54 pm

Next Membership Meeting: Thursday September 28, 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted, Nola Benjamin Lowther, recording secretary