

January 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 by President Martha Buracker.

Board members present: Martha Buracker, Kristen Pence, Nancy McDermott

Minutes read by Kristen Pence and approved and as presented.

Treasurer's report

\$68185.92

Check reimbursement for bazaar supplies; normal bills \$601.61

\$8681.31 deposits

\$76091.04 ending balance

P&L available at meeting \$38803.36 net for the 2024 year (includes \$25599 donations)

\$3179.78 total for the Christmas bazaar

\$2281.37 net for calendar and notecards so far

Submitted our same budget request of \$2500 for the coming year; Jan28 7:40pm

T BILL Jan 16 2025: new rate is 4.32% approx. – need a decision on reinvesting (\$52K) \$1310.53 made in the last 6 months

Treasurer's report approved

Committee Reports

Trustees: Building inspection 2023: Wes, Michael, Alan, and Steve met to discuss long range plan. Categorize recommendations: building structure, generalized safety, general repairs, long range Rotten wood and/or insect damage to the building; rec professional inspection (we believe this has been done recently)

Restrooms: vanity screen to block the hallway/entrance – more immediate care, upgrade of finishes and lights

Grounding – gas piping, electrical grounding (likely could be volunteer work)

Aesthetics in the building: ceilings hallway and kitchen especially

Windows: do not function, painted shut: have to take into account historical classification; an easier fix might be working on deteriorating frames on the outside.

Kitchen: needs a significant upgrade given its importance during our events

Generator: freeze protection (separate focus group from this project)

Summary: bathrooms update <\$500 and volunteers; grounding – community volunteer possible (we think this has been completed), kitchen major update

Capital improvements committee (previously referenced as long range facilities plan - Brian Wilkinson, Jim Sylvester, Steve Merz and Bill Lacy along with trustees): Motion by Lisa, second Damon: approved

Scheduling: Jan 26 paint party; Feb 8 chili cookoff; yard sale march 14&15 – looking for volunteers; Redbud festival is April 26

History: no report

Gooney Valley History and Preservation: Calendar and notecard sales continue; approx. 25 calendars left

BEARR Group: delivering blue signs previously sold

Ways and Means:

Supervisor Cullers: Budget process is starting; broadband: have to be completed by 2026, that is when the grant money runs out. Supposed to start between spring and summer in WC. Finishing up in Augusta County now.

VDOT is working on drainage remediation on William Vincent Road now – adding and/or replacing pipes prior to paving. Supervisors do not choose roads, residents come forth and request to be on the VDOT 6 year plan; does not mean a project is completed in 6 years. William Vincent was requested to be added prior to Cheryl coming on the board (this is her 6th year on the board). Advertised in the paper, on the website, on the calendar. All dirt roads in VA are 35mph. Cheryl is still working on getting the speed lowered – legislators set the speed limit! This comes down to the code and VDOT follows the legislation. The speed is not lowered by VDOT. This is one time funding and if it is refused at this time, the opportunity to pave will not be available again. Cheryl is advocating for a lower speed limit on William Vincent.

Resident comments: they are concerned about the way this was presented and do not feel it was adequately advertised to the neighborhood. Primary concern is increased noise and speed. Residents have spoken to VDOT and they stated they will be widening the road in places.

Cheryl will follow up with VDOT: Rural rustic is pave in place: the road will not be widened. State code as of July 1 2008: the speed limit shall be 35mph

Old Business:

New Business:

Motion to renew the T Bill for an additional 6 months. Approved.

Motion to adjourn at 9:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen J. Pence, DVM