

Browntown Community Center Association Meeting

October 10th, 2022 7:30pm

In attendance- John Bell, Denny Pennington, Patsy Pennington, Martha Buracker, Cheryl Cullers, Jackie Hodgkiss, Stacie Mikels, George Hodgkiss, Linda Glavis, Mary McLaughlin, Tom Lacombe, Angela Fletcher, Robert Fletcher, James Crook, Jim Clem, Rick Matthews, Doris Matthews, Louise Matthews, Kim Matthews, Mark Thomas, Marianne Thomas, Powell Harding, Scott Reynolds, Pauline Reynolds, Mary Hurt McKinney, Gretchen Proveman, Tyler Proveman, Greg Schibblshaw, Tony Swonski, Diane Pence, Ross Mikels, Emma Bricker, Mark Huddleston,

Call to order- by John Bell at 7:32pm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes- Stacie Mikels presented the minutes from September. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report- Jackie read and went over financials from last month.

Beginning balance- \$37,886.53

Income- \$7,687.46

Expenses- \$11,200.19

Net balance- \$34,373.80

Trustee's Report- Alan Brockway reported that the driveway and parking lot was completed. Jim Sylvester reported that the trees came down as well. He also reported that there were several calls made here from the google widget. There were also a bunch of direction requests from google as well. George Hodgkiss reported that the floor to the shed has been painted.

Scheduling Report-

October 15th- Community Center rental

October 21st- History Presentation

October 22nd- Greasy Gooney 10k run.

November 5th- Safety Day

November 19th- Christmas Bazaar

Ways & Means Committee Report- Christmas Bazaar is scheduled for November 19th. Linda Arnold is in charge of the bazaar. Chili Cookoff can be added to the calendar for the Saturday before the Super Bowl, Linda Arnold will chair this as long as it is safe (COVID).

History & Preservation Club Report- Tom Reported that they are continuing to work on the book.

Gooney Valley History Club- Did a tour of the Updike Building/Mill. First tour of the Big Trees of Browntown.

BOS report/remarks- Cheryl Cullers reported this Sunday(10/16) will be a South River District Community Meeting at Skyline High School cafeteria from 1-3. It will be a very casual meeting for information and to meet South River Representatives.

BEARR report- Mary McLaughlin reported that Fire Safety Day will be on November 5th. They'll have fire extinguisher demonstrations, fire blankets, door prizes and they'll be selling 911 signs as well.

CPR classes coming up October 27 5-9pm, they have room for 4 more people. Contact Mary McLaughlin for a spot.

The group is working on a Disaster plan for our community.

Old Business Report-

Calendar Update- Stacie Mikels reported the calendars should be printed this week.

Jim Sylvester reported that there will be a meeting on October 12th at the Browntown Community Center to review and continue with the Alliance for the Shenandoah Valley visioning meetings. This is in order to get something together to present to Warren County to submit to the Warren County Comprehensive Plan for the future of Browntown. They have reviewed the surveys and there will be opportunities to review the recommendations from the committee that will go to Warren County's comprehensive plan. There are 4 main subjects in their recommendation, so Jim has invited the community for that meeting at 7pm.

Mary McLaughlin spoke to the community member who is still using wood to heat the home and they are just going to continue through the winter.

Edwin Wright reported about the mailers. He recommended Vista Print instead of the USPS -54 cents per post card. About 1,000 mailers would be needed to hit everyone in the community. Roughly \$540 total. Mary McLaughlin volunteered to go through those addresses. John challenged the community to come up with some ideas for the post card.

Jackie reported that we have ordered cook books. They are available to Tom's Store and will be available at the Christmas event. She also reordered Sill Sitters to sell at Tom's Store and the Christmas Bazaar.

New Business-

John Bell asked for verbal nominations for the 2023 nominations:

John Bell was nominated for President.

Linda Glavis for Vice President.

Stacie Mikels for Secretary.

Jackie Hodgkiss for Treasurer.

Browntown History Club is looking for new members. Reach out to Tom Lacombe if interested.

Jackie reported that she is looking for someone to help her with the comcast email list. Ian Fisher responded that he would be willing to help.

Warren reminded everyone that this is fire season and made sure everyone has a fire extinguisher.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm

Signed,

Stacie Mikels

BCCA Secretary