



# Port St. Lucie Historical Society

## MEETING MINUTES

### BOARD MEETING

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Date: January 6, 2025

Time: 3:40 pm

Meeting called to order by: Patricia Christensen, Chair

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### IN ATTENDANCE

#### BOARD MEMBERS

Christensen, Patricia – Chair  
Willnow, Wade - Vice Chair  
Morgan, Stephanie – Secretary  
Williams, Christine – Treasurer  
Davis, Deanne  
Graben, Donnita  
Grabhorn, Dennis  
Kelly, Jack  
Spera, Nate  
Zientz, Marty

#### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Billitti, Matthew  
Bordonaro, Maria

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Post, Butch  
Wymer, Danielle

**Pledge/Quorum established at prior Annual Meeting.**

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS

Wade motioned to approve with addition of New Business (Dennis regarding Musuem Operations/HS and the addition of Old Business (Deanne regarding the Board meeting schedule); motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Wade motioned to approve December 4, 2024 minutes; motion carried.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

Wade motioned to approve December Report – after discussion, report will be revised and brought back to a future meeting. Motion withdrawn.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Dennis motioned to have the Museum separate from the Historical Society and to reinstate Museum Management Team. After discussion, Dennis withdrew his motion for this subject to be brought back for further discussion.
- b) Dennis motioned to reinstate the Museum Management Team; motion carried.
- c) Dennis motioned to have a separate Checking/Savings Accounts for the Museum. After discussion, it was consensus to come back for further discussion.
- d) After much discussion – it was suggested that the Museum Inc/Exp be separate line items under the Historical Society P&L and have an operating budget. It was suggested that the Management Team and the Finance Committee meet to discuss this further.
- e) Nate suggested that the Board have a workshop to discuss items in detail. A survey will be sent out with a few dates and times to hold a workshop.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a) Discussion was held regarding changing the Board meeting date and time. A survey will be sent to Board members with a few options and will be discussed at a future meeting.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Finance Committee – Christine Williams

Christine presented the Year End P&L – after discussion regarding numerous items, it was recommended/suggested that Stephanie get with Christine to review and would be brought back to a future meeting to be presented.

Christine presented the 2025 Budget – There were a few suggestions with the negative amounts to be adjusted – Wade motioned to approve; motion carried.

- b) Membership Committee – Marty Zientz

- a. No report

- c) Fundraising Committee

- a. Brick Paver Fundraiser Committee – Dennis/Maria/Wade

- i. Order will be placed soon; discussion was on the location and layout. Stephanie will research as to who Port St. Lucie Business Women used for the brick paver project at City Hall and report at a later date.

- d) Communications Committee

- a. Website Update – Patricia Christensen

- i. Website being updated

- b. Social Media – Marty Zientz

- i. No report

- c. Newsletter – Patricia Christensen

- i. Newsletter will be emailed in January

- d. Preservation Committee

- i. Archiving – Deanne Davis & Donnita Grabhorn

- 1. On going

- ii. Videos/Oral Histories – Donnita Grabhorn/Dennis Grabhorn/Wade Willnow

- 1. On going

## EVENTS

- a) Society Gatherings
  - a. Discussion regarding the entertainment at our December gathering. Suggested that we re visit.
  - b. February Gathering – Patricia will be meeting with the new contact at Santa Lucia River Club and will update. Jack will secure speaker.
- b) Report on Events
  - a. Recap of Christmas at the Museum – was very well attended, need more advertising and signage
  - b. St. Lucie Historical Festival will be held January 11, 9a-2p, Donnita reported that we will have a booth with information
  - c. School District History Day Presentations was discussed.
  - d. Future Events – Donnita will be presenting at the Newcomers on 2/19. Other opportunities are the SLC Tourist Development Council and HOA's.

## BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Jack Kelly reminded all that the Board needs to follow Roberts Rules of Order as stated in our ByLaws, Article XIV.

Jack Kelly suggested that we look into DipJar which is a way of collecting donations – the Botanical Gardens uses this application, and it has been successful. More info to follow.

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm

Next Board meeting will be February 3, 2025, 3pm @ Museum

Respectfully submitted

*Stephanie Morgan, Secretary*

Presented/Approved at Board meeting

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Date