

**AMADOR COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MINUTES – August 21, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: President, Jeana Hultquist, called the meeting to order at 3:05 at the County Archive.

ROLL CALL: Present – Fox, Garbarini-Walters, Garibaldi, Guidi, Hultquist, Jebian, McGowen, Reinoehl, Sweet, Vogel, Williams. Absent – Consolo, Guirlani, Miller, Saracino, Saunders, vanVoorhis. Guest – Patricia Enns from Ione.

MINUTES: Motion to approve – **McGowen/Guidi/A**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Garibaldi reported costs of the Pole Barn have expended about \$10,000 from a fund of \$21,000 available. Material costs have been higher than originally estimated.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: **1)** reminder to folks who use Amazon on a regular basis to click on the Smile icon to help build our funds through their rebate program for non-profits. **2)** Thank you letters need to be sent to everyone who donates for raffle gifts, wine, in kind services, etc. Collect that information and be sure that their generosity is recognized.

OLD BUSINESS: Livery – **1)** Costs are up – siding from Smith Timber at cost are at \$4,360.00. The board & bat siding is going up on the Summit St. side of the building. **2)** No Trespassing signs have been posted, but Construction Zone signs are needed because security is a problem due to loiterers in the area. **3)** Sweet will begin priming the Summit St. side wall on Mon, 8/26 and is getting paint from ACE Hardware at cost. **3)** ACE Hardware is delivering a dumpster free of charge and work will begin on Sun, 8/25, to clear the grounds of undesirable shrubs to daylight the grounds for police surveillance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **MUSEUM - 1)** Jebian delivered the Museum Annual Report to the BOS on 8/13 and discussed the fire incident in which one of the picnic tables was set on fire. The emphasis was on the danger of fire to the irreplaceable & invaluable artifacts contained inside the Museum and as well as all of the buildings. Jebian responded to questions about the progress of the livery project. **2)** Supervisor Crew offered to provide up to 3 concrete picnic tables from his discretionary fund. In the meantime, the benches will be removed from the burned table to repair another table. **3)** discussion of signage with consensus that dawn to dusk signs similar to those at Detert Park be installed. **4)** Richard Lovelace of Ione was recommended as an arborist for an opinion on the condition of the cedars. **5)** Jebian will draft a letter to Amador County Manager, Iley, about the actions being taken at the Museum by ACHS.
- **AMCMC – 1)** Joint Board meeting did not have a quorum from ACHS; therefore no action was taken. However, discussion occurred about the organizational structure of the AMC RR. **2)** Slide 2 is being repaired for a ½ cost of \$4,800 from ACHS. AMC RR Funds are available so motion made to approve. **Sweet/Guidi/A. 2)** Sweet reported that ACTC is concerned about the 4 highway crossings which CALTRANS has offered to fix for \$58,000 but these dollars are not available. Vogel will attend their next meeting. **3)** Another huge problem is a crossing on private property which is only suitable for occasional light traffic but which the Amador Water Agency is crossing with heavy equipment and loads on a daily basis and projected to continue for 10 yrs. The Board discussed the Agency's responsibility for their damages and consequent heavy duty crossing construction at a cost of approximately \$80,000. Further discussion regarding whether the Agency obtained CEQA compliance. Garibaldi to attend next meeting and raise concerns of ACHS. **4)** Fox has picture of Larry Cenotto with the big \$1 bill at the acquisition of the AMC historic railroad for ACHS/RRCHS.
- **EVENT – Sept 13, Wine & Cheese at the Museum from 5:30-8:30.** Planning details & execution are being accomplished by McGowen & Garbarini-Walters with Board members all contributing something to the effort.

NEW BUSINESS: Elaine Zorbas from the Fiddletown Preservation Society is selling bricks for the new fire-safe roof for the Chew Ke store in Fiddletown. Motion to buy a \$150 brick. **McGowen/Vogel/A.** Short discussion about this kind of gratuity from ACHS funds. Jebian said that it is important for the Society to support other efforts in the county to preserve important landmarks.

MEMBERS REMARKS: Sweet mentioned that CALTRANS plans to rebuild and widen the Hwy 49 bridge at Mok river.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 5:03. Minutes respectfully submitted Judy Jebian on 8/22/19.