

Oak Lodge History Detectives

Minutes

June 13, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mike Schmeer at 7:00 PM.

Treasurer's Report: \$2844.93 available (Pat did not mention how much in reserve)

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the April 2019 Special Meeting were approved as submitted.

Membership Report: 50 paid and 46 lapsed members

Old Business

- Mike Schmeer updated us on the Concord property. The Concord Task Force is meeting in July to discuss how to best use the building and property and whether or not to build a library on the site. County RFP consultants will propose what is feasible.
- Two proofs of the ERC Commemorative Sign were displayed by Lisa Bentley. The committee must make any corrections to the text. The signs must be completed by the end of July.
- Mike and Lisa are working on the OLHD 501(c)(3) application, with the help of an attorney. Mike wants to have the designation in place by the October annual meeting. Revised Articles of Incorporation need to be filed with the State and our bylaws will also likely need to be revised.

New Business

- The Clackamas County Historic Review Board accepted a counter proposal from the owner of the Isabelle Rupert House to erect solar panels on the ground and on a building out back. Mike has offered to help the county to come up with guidelines for solar panels on historic properties.
- CCHC History Hub shares information on what is going on throughout the county. Jennifer Burns, Heritage Project Manager for Clackamas County, is doing good work. Her part-time position expires soon. Mike expressed that he is hoping the county will find the funds to keep her on. Lisa Bentley added that all members would receive benefits from the History Hub equally. Sites are mostly run by older volunteers. Funding would help hire staff.
- Mike met with Clackamas County Commissioner Paul Savas to discuss the loss of historic landmarks. The County ordinance is not working. The History Hub may help reverse the trend.
- Oak Grove Trolley Trail Fest – Aug. 24th. We are in need of someone to take the reins, as Mike has a conflict.

Program: Stringfield House photo display – Mike showed an array of Naef, Stringfield and Superior Dairy photographs to choose which ones will be exhibited at the Stringfield House. Members rated each photo on a scale of one to four. The top fifteen will be framed and displayed at the house. The remainder will be put into albums.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM by Chair Mike Schmeer. The next meeting will be held on Oct. 10, 2019 (Annual Meeting).

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Toothacker, Secretary