

MINUTES: GENERAL MEETING OF THE HSDV HELD July 18, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Barbara Peck at 12:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

The minutes of the June meeting were distributed and approved with no corrections on a motion by Ruby McFarland with a second from Gretchen Arndt.

In the absence of the treasurer, Grace Ricci, the treasurer's report was read by Secretary Patrick Neylan. For the last period the beginning balance was \$12,123.80. Income for the period (primarily proceeds from the rummage sale) was \$3,991.51 with expenditures of \$387.54 leaving an ending balance of \$15,727.77. The report was approved on a motion from Marty Lewis with a second from Sharon Glashan. There was no correspondence to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rummage Sale: Chair Gretchen Arndt reported proceeds from the recent sale were \$2795. Expenses were \$496. She noted she expected additional expenses of about \$60 are still outstanding. She thanked everyone for their help and noted that some improved procedures could be incorporated into the event next year. Everyone thanked Gretchen for her leadership efforts.

7-24-12 Fire Event: Mabel Masterman displayed the final proclamation that would be read at the event by Vicki Kinney and reviewed the schedule for that day. Jack Folmar displayed the three framed photos that he had created for presentation to the Fire Chief at the event and three additional photos that have been created for display at our firehouse jail. An article promoting the event had recently appeared in the Leader Courier.

C&C Working Group: Tom Parcels reported on the work that had recently been performed at the depot, including painting and weeding and tree trimming and thank all who had helped out noting especially the efforts of some new members of the society. Tom noted that Lois Wallace will handle the raffle portion of the upcoming RR event (donations should be sent to her) and that Diane Parcels would be in charge of the reception desk. Work still needed in preparation includes the pricing of the Wallace donated RR models and the removal of the old books from the front bedroom of the depot. Many additional volunteers will be needed and a sign-up sheet was circulated. Laura Tennant reported that Vicki Kinney was holding a special meeting of the C&C Working Group and the Board on July 20th. Tom showed the members the display ad for the event that was in the current issue of Narrow Gauge Gazette.

Museum/Books/Farmer's Market: Donna McElroy pointed out the additional help was still needed to man the museum on weekends stressing that any member of the society was welcome to come and sit the museum and greet visitors. You do not have to be an official docent. Donna also noted additional display work is planned at the museum but will probably be winter projects. She also noted that we have received a request from a second Dayton family for the return of loaned items on display at the museum. Laura Tennant will contact them for details and the Board will review and update the Society's procedure for their proper return.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dayton Valley Days: Barbara Peck reported that the theme for the event this year will be historical and that the schoolhouse museum will be featured on the official t-shirt and that a calendar, made up of artwork by local children will be available. Barbara will contact Bob Hastings and work out the details of using the museum's side yard for chili judging. Laura noted that the society will again install a historic display in the Community Center during the event. It is hoped that the society will also participate in the parade.

Member's Comments: Marty Lewis expressed how gratifying it was when the society came up with an extremely reasonable price on a very valuable hospital bed we had at the rummage sale that

ultimately will be of big help to a local family in Dayton. She commented that that single moment made all the work of the week previous to the sale worthwhile. Jack Folmar commented that his landlord has made available to the society photos of the dredge and floating mill that operated in the pit behind the museum. Ruby McFarland explained that the Emma Loftus diaries contain much information about that time period. Barbara Peck informed us that the Comstock Mining Co. now operating in the Gold Hill area above Devil's Gate has applied to the Storey Co. Planning Commission for permission to operate their ore trucks on the public highway passing through that area to reach their processing plant at American Flat. This would involve one truck every two minutes, eight hours a day, five days a week for at least the next six months. Linda Adams displayed a flyer for an event that evening that would support the Lyon Co. Libraries.

History Moment: Linda Clements presented a delightful history of the life of one of Dayton's early citizens, Mary Stiles, along with an explanation of Mary's *many* other names. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance.

Barbara Peck adjourned the meeting at 2pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Patrick Neylan
Secretary, HSDV