

The Anderson Island Historical Society
MINUTES: May Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
In the Archival Building Library

CALL TO ORDER & VERIFICATION OF QUORUM - APPROVED 7:02 PM

ADOPTION OF AGENDA - APPROVED

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S BOARD MEETING MINUTES -

April 8, 2026 – Minutes (based on reported changes) APPROVED

Present: Bob Bedoll, Carol Paschal, Todd Billett, Jon Field, Serena Frank, Keri Ashford, Ed Stephenson, and Rick Anderson. Guest: Virginia Cummings.

Absent: Lee Ann Whitaker and Rikki McGee.

President's Report – *Bob Bedoll*

- Bob stated that he was still seeking replacements for himself, Carol, and Jim Battishill.
- Bob expressed his intention to proceed with the bandstand roof project. He will convene a committee to facilitate this.
- Bob is working on Phase II of a grant to help finance replacing the roofs of several buildings and will convene a Roof Committee to examine options.
- Bob distributed copies of a Volunteer Code of Conduct and a Code of Conduct for Conflict Resolution and Reporting. He asked the board to review them and be prepared to adopt them at the next meeting.

Vice President/Ways & Means – *Carol Paschal*

- Carol reported that several gardeners have hired or recruited others to work on their garden plots, and that some of these workers have not signed the gardeners' contract.
- There was discussion of getting some "Barn Cats" to control voles, which have become a problem. The consensus was that this was up to the gardeners to decide.
- The resolution authorizing Carol to engage an attorney to advise us on the recent incident was deferred to an executive session.
- It was moved by Carol and seconded by Serena to approve the AIHS tax return for 2025. Motion carried unanimously. Carol is reviewing the comments Guy Bailey sent regarding the insurance policy.

Treasurer's Report – *Keri Ashford*

- Todd, having prepared the April financials, reviewed his report. (See attached financial statement for April).
- The decision was announced that we would not be acquiring Debit and Credit cards at this time.

Gift Shop – Virginia Cummings

- See the balance sheet provided to Rikki. (attached)
- Current inventory and cash totals \$47,735. Total income for April: \$3212. Gross profit for April is \$1737.
- Virginia announced that they were getting more consigners and a new T-Shirt supplier.
- The new phone book is now complete and available at the Gift Shop.
- Virginia suggested that gardeners be asked not to park in the Gift Shop parking area while the shop is open.

Archives- Rick Anderson

- Rick reported on mowing and watering the Heritage Orchard. Fence repairs were being made by Paul Oppenheim.
- Rick obtained leaf samples from four trees on McNeil Island for which new trees were being grafted at Burnt Ridge Nursery. T
- The Heckman Project is ongoing with Ralph Philbrook editing Hazel's novel *One Last Hostage* and Rick working on *Blackjack Country*.
- The Red Cross is offering Mass Care (or Shelter) training at the Archival Building on May 13, 20, and 27. Rick urged all board members to attend as preparation for operating the Archival Building as a shelter when a disaster strikes the island.

Education –Lee Ann Whitaker

- No Report

Public Information –Jon Field

- Jon reported that there were 26 gallons of frozen apple cider left.
- Prices for Salmon Bake tickets would be \$23.00 online and \$25 at the door.
- Jon submitted a letter of resignation from the board and was thanked for his dedicated service. He will continue in his position of Custodian of the Archival Building.

Community Services and Events – Serena Frank

- Bob reviewed a list of upcoming events

Operations and Facilities – Bob Acting

- Bob reviewed a list of current and upcoming projects.

Secretary's Report – Rikki McGee

- No report
- Task list reviewed

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Prepared by Rick Anderson