

The Anderson Island Historical Society

June 10, 2020 meeting minutes

Zoom Meeting called to order

by Bob Bedoll at 7:00pm

Verification of a Quorum

by Secretary Paul Oppenheim

Attendees

Todd Billett, Ed Stephenson, Jeanne McGoldrick, Rick Anderson, Penne Wilson, Peggy Hodge, Bob Bedoll, Ed Stephenson, Wayne Wallace, Paul Oppenheim, Virginia Cummings, Leslie Lamb

Absent

Liane Heckman, Dick Throm

Approval of Agenda - approved

May minutes – approved subject to inclusion of the section under the Vice-President’s report.

REPORTS

President’s Report (Bob Bedoll)

The following concerns about the operation of the Gift shop at the AIHS were discussed:

1. A quarterly museum store financial statements as required by the Board of Directors was not delivered for the past two years (2018 and 2019).
2. An annual Museum store financial statement for the consolidated U.S. Internal Revenue Service tax report was not been provided for the past two years. Thus, it has not possible to precisely file the AIHS consolidated income tax report.
3. Cash and checks for the second half of 2019 were not deposited into Columbia bank account. Those checks and cash were finally given to Ms. Virginia Cummings and Ms. Leslie Lamb, who finally deposited them in Feb 2020.

Bob and Carol met with Kathy Bailey, manager of the Museum Store on May 23, 2020 and informed her of the board’s concerns. Ms. Bailey stepped down voluntarily.

Kathy has been managing the gift shop for approximately 15 years. There was a discussion of appropriate tribute to her to which the Board will make a financial contribution. Bob requested that Board members send him ideas. An article will be published in the AIHS newsletter honoring Kathy. Penne requested that Board members send her information/names that she can use for the article.

Leslie Lamb and Virginia Cummings will now co-manage the store with bookkeeping help from Carol.

Extending the internet to the farm area, including gift shop & coop2 for an approximately \$500 - \$600 one time charge was discussed and approved. Bob and Ed will be in charge of implementation.

The AIHS has purchased Office 365 for \$100/year. This includes six licenses, of which only two are currently being used (aihsfarm@gmail.com, aihstreasurer@gmail.com). 6TB of cloud storage.

There was a discussion of a Take-out Salmon Bake on August 1 – Since Pierce County is not currently issuing food permits, this discussion was tabled. There was a discussion about setting up picnic tables for an informal July 4 family gatherings, but the idea did not gain traction.

Vice President's Report (Carol Pascal)

The attached Insurance Proposal for 2020 was discussed. It was decided not to insure the Rosemary Zilmer pieces and the yet to be constructed Archive Annex metal building.

Bob Bedoll proposed increasing the Liability and Wrongful Acts limits from \$1 million to \$2 million for an additional cost of \$1910 annually. The motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion about whether to do an Anderson Island Phone Book this year. A partial phone book only having residential phone numbers is a possibility. About 100 phone books would be produced at an approximate cost of \$2.50 each. They would be for sale at the Anderson Island General Store and perhaps at AIHS functions (if any). Bob suggested that phone book committee decide what to do.

President Bob Bedoll made a motion to add Virginia Cummings to the bank account referred to as the Anderson Island Historical Society Columbia Bank Museum Store checking account with the account number ending in 2136. This motion was seconded by Vice-President Carol Pascal. The motion passed unanimously and was labeled resolution 2020-2.

Treasurer Report (Todd Billett)

Todd Billett presented the Profit and Loss Budget for May 2020. In addition, the Anderson Island Historical Society (AIHS) balance sheet as of May 2020 was presented. These reports are attached.

The treasurer's report was approved.

Public Information Report (Penne Wilson)

Newsletter. Spring newsletter in June. Articles due by 6/20.

Membership – Jerry Simonsen

177 paid members for 2020 (89 paid, 88 life)

233 members in 2019 (145 paid-up, 88 life and honorary).

Updated list of AIHS officers is now posted at the Anderson Island General Store

Education Report (Peggy Hodge)

Archival Building Phase 3

1. Open to groups of 5, with a docent present - masks for all;
2. Visitors to use hand sanitizer when entering and make it available at the end of their visit;
3. Offer gloves;
4. Potentially, open on Saturdays only - 10:00 - 1:00;
5. Peggy's phone number would be on the lighted sign for contact;
6. OPEN sign will be displayed at the street;
7. Possibility of opening July 4th weekend or just July 4th;
8. Visitors would be welcome to walk the farm and view buildings.

Farmhouse Phase 3

1. Opening the Farmhouse during Phase 3, maybe later in July, depending on success in the AB;
2. Groups of 5 or whatever Phase 3 allows - masks and hand sanitizer for visitors - no guest book;
3. Visitors will be able to view downstairs only - upstairs roped off (ask children to avoid touching, use "museum eyes");
4. Docent will meet on porch, open screen door, after a brief introduction to the house and farm;
5. Docent will remain on porch during their visit, asking newly arriving visitors to wait for other visitors to exit;
6. Masks will be worn (Docent might want to wear gloves);
7. Hours would be Saturday 10:00 -1:00.

Operations and Maintenance Report (Wayne Wallace)

Fence for new gardens south of the Barn is underway. The next project will be a new roof for the brooder shed. Farmhouse has been pressure washed and will be painted under contract. Demolition and construction of a new structure for the Salmon/Apple Squeeze Building is expected to start this Summer.

Archive Annex Building Report (Rick Anderson)

Whites Construction is getting ready for the next Concrete pour. An inspection is possible for Tuesday, June 16. Need about another 100 yards of gravel. Looking at alternatives for fill.

Archive Building Report (Ed Stephenson)

Still waiting on the Nisqually Indian Tribe to approve the Annex Building so that the grant application can be completed.

Archives (Rick Anderson)

Rick reported that not much had been going on at the farm in terms of Archives.

Events and Community Report (Jeanne McGoldrick)

- Salmon Bake on July 4 is cancelled
- “No Rules” band on July 18 is cancelled
- Island Band on August 1 may still be on. Carol is going to wait on cancelling the Insurance for this event since it might be held.
- Tacoma Concert Band on August 8 is cancelled
- Film Festival in September is cancelled
- Fungi Fest in September is cancelled
- Potlucks: September, October ?
- Annual Meeting: November ?
- July 25th wedding still scheduled
- September wedding may be on for the Archive Building

General Discussion

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.