

The Anderson Island Historical Society

August 9, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by President, Bob Bedoll at 7:01 p.m.

Verification of quorum (minimum of five) by Bob.

Board Attendees

Rick Anderson, Bob Bedoll, Todd Billett, Wendy Lessard (via zoom), Carol Paschal, Peggy Hodge, Wayne Wallace, Virginia Cummings

Absent

Dave Durrett, Ed Stephenson, Penne Wilson

Adoption of the Agenda — approved as distributed.

Adoption of July Minutes – There were no minutes submitted for July.

Reports from Officers and Directors

President (Bob Bedoll)

- Band Stand Project update: Rick and Bob are planning to meet with Luke from Exodus Engineering to discuss several roof alternatives, including a 3 segment design and elimination of the front cross-beam.
- The evaluation of a new Point-Of-Sale system for the gift shop is underway. The current system will be turned off by the vendor (Intuit) on 10/2. Four systems are being evaluated: Shopify, Square, Clover, and Lightspeed. Each system costs \$50-\$100/month, and we are looking for the least costly one that can meet our requirements.
- Early Apples: Apples are ripening early, so we will probably move the squeeze to Sept 16.

Vice President (Carol Paschal)

- The Garden Market will now be held every Saturday (skipping Salmon/Rib Bake).
- Larry Gramling will be in charge of the Garden Market next year.
- September 9 is a bird/plant walk.
- Insurance: Our agent has left the company and we are waiting to hear about the new policy and our 2023 bill.

Treasurer (Todd Billet)

- July financials for 2023 were presented to the Board.

Events (Wendy Lessard)

- Robb Wedding – July 15 – worked out well.
- All July events and the August band concert happened without a problem.
- American Legion Picnic – July 22 (minor adjustments)
- Concert: Reggae Band – July 22 @Bandstand
- Stephenson Reception – July 29 @Stephenson Hall.
- Basically, I have some ideas on how to make outside events run a bit smoother and be more lucrative. As for the interior, I have a couple of thoughts on Jon's fee and how we can support him better financially on the larger events.
- As for events outside of AIHS that utilize the farm, I will address my thoughts on this in the September meeting. I think there needs to be more accountability for those that use the area. It seems right now there is a basic understanding that "Jon will take care if it"

Gift Shop (Virginia Cummings and Leslie Lamb)

Public Information (Penne Wilson)

- Please provide any additional information for the Sounder, as soon as possible.

Education (Peggy Hodge)

- September 23 – Drew Crooks "Remembering Medicine Creek"
- October 28 – Russ Rodocker "Anderson Island Water Supply"
- November 12 – A.I.H.S. Annual Meeting
- December 3 – A.I.H.S. Open House
- January 27, 2024 – Anna Thurston will be the guest speaker on Jan 27 doing a follow-up program to the Sep 9th Native Plant & Bird Walk & Talk (not the actual title).
- February 24, 2024 –
- March 23, 2024 – Ann Irish –It's Always Uphill From the Dock: The Story of the Puget Sound Islands

Operations and Maintenance (Wayne Wallace)

- Wayne will be replacing the general padlocks.
- The Welcome/Goodbye overhanging sign, above the south driveway entrance, is safely down on the ground. A new sign will likely be constructed during the winter months.
- Build wood-shop in Annex. Almost done.
- Rabbit fence in work.

- Garden Shed – done
- Bandstand Stage enlargement – stage done. Waiting on drawings for roof.
Goal: start work in the fall.

Archive Building (Ed Stephenson)

- The front speaker was split into two side speakers with a delayed speaker in the rear center. This allowed the screen to be raised 8” up. This will improve the film festival and our presentations.
- We discussed curtains and doors for the rest rooms in the AB.

Archives and Acquisitions (Rick Anderson)

- Hazel Heckman correspondence is on the web.
- Rick will be working on signs for the farm implements by the barn.

Meeting Adjourned @8:38 p.m.