

Fish House Community Center Minutes

Tuesday, July 16, 2013 7 PM

The following members were present: Joanne Blaauboer, Aggie Buell, Cindy Clemens, Angel Donato, Patty Ferguson, David Floyd, Tracie Kuchark Owens, Audrey & Jim Moore, Cheryl Porter, Mary Jane Wilson and Susan Walter, our residing president.
First, WELCOME to our newest member to the FHCC: Elaine Hitchcock!

Secretary Minutes: The June minutes were reviewed. Mary Jane Wilson had been at the meeting but was not included in the minutes. That will be corrected. Tracie moved to accept the minutes, Angel seconded it.

Treasurer Report: A financial summary had been sent via email to the members. Tracie reviewed them and they were approved.

* General Account: \$761.79 * Donations Account: \$3,473.23 * Shirt Account: \$967.36

Old Business:

• Rummage Sale: Joanne B. (chairman)

- * Even with fewer donations, there was a profit of over \$2000. (see financial report)
- * Items that were not breakable, were left out for free, many had already been taken.
- * Cindy packed up the clothes on the tables and took them to the Green Donation containers.
- * Audrey took the clothes off the hangers, packed them in suitcases and took them.
- * Patty contacted the Northville Library and got a phone number of Joan Crean (863-2267). She runs the annual Book Sale at the library and will take book donations. (not text books or Reader's Digest condensed books)
- * Cindy packed up many cardboard boxes for recycling, we still have lots more.
- * The dividers and poles were taken into the cellar after the meeting.
- * Suggestion for next year...put up No Stealing signs right away to discourage the scavengers.
- * Suggestion: (not mentioned in meeting)- contact Carla Kolbe early in the spring the dates for the rummage sale are correct. (There was some confusion)
- * Request: Another person needs to chair this event as Joanne will be out of the country.

• Bottle Drive: Jim M.

- * Started off slow, but July 4th boosted the donations.
- * Last Friday Jim brought in 3700 bottles! (to Pic N Nickle)
- * Garbage sometimes is mixed in, Jim had filled 4 55 gallon drums with garbage.
- * To date, there is \$615 in the account with more to be deposited.
- * We offered Jim gas money at the meeting, but he can wait until the end of summer.

• Electrical Update: Jim M.

- * Main panel is done
- * Old fuse box is still there. Jim was given approval to update it. It should be done by July 28
- * If not for Jim, the FHCC would have had to hire an electrician. We offered to pay for Jim's labor,,he said he would think about it.

• Shirt Update: Cindy C.

- * 22 sweatshirts were ordered, 12 were sold.
- * 50 T shirts were ordered, 17 were sold
- * we still have 30 old sweatshirts.
- * There is an interest to order kid T shirts. Contact Cindy if interested.

• Email List: Tracie K

- * Tracie will have a sign up list at the July breakfast. This will be for people who would like to be updated about the FHCC events.

• Cellar Cleaning:

- * Thank you to Cindy, Audrey, Jim and David for cleaning out the cellar! It looks wonderful!

• Chimney Cover: Sue W.

- * The new furnace pipe goes directly into the old chimney. Because of this, a cover is needed. Sue called and was told that the cover would consist of corner bricks and a blue

flagstone. A decision has to be made within the week to take advantage of a local flagstone delivery.

* Cindy said she would ask Bob Stemler to find out if there is another option.

• Commercial Refrigerator: Sue W.

* The big refrigerator in the kitchen runs constantly.

* Sue faxed Cool Care but as yet, they have not gotten back to her.

• Window Estimate: Sue W.

* The estimate for scrapping, sanding, priming, painting and glazing is \$125 per window.

* Discussion occurred as to if this needs to be a priority.

* During an earlier meeting, a list of Improvement Priorities was established.

* Joanne B. will find the list and mail it out to all so this can be a decision made at next meeting.

• Giles Garden: Sue W.

* A photo of what the Giles garden would look like was passed around.

* It was verified that we voted to give Jesse W. \$150 for this project.

* Jesse is still in need of the following plants: gooseneck loosestrife, wild asters, white yarrow, vinca (periwinkle or white), liatris (blazing star, Kobold).

* If anyone has the above plants and would like to donate some for this project, email Jesse at beyondyourgarden@gmail.com

* Tentative date for work day is Sunday, August 4th.

• Painting at Center:

* Joanne B. painted the handicap ramp a hunter green. The paint has nonskid material added to it. Also painted were yellow lines on the step edges and the railings were painted black.

New Business:

• July Breakfast- Audrey M. (Chairman)

* Workers? (Audrey will send an email out) but at this time, here is a list:

Cooks: Bryan D., David F., Joanne B., Don W., Megan F., Angel D.

Money Taker: Cindy C.

Floater in Kitchen: Tracie, Susan W. (Joanne B. requested time to talk history)

Dining Room Floaters: Audrey M., Aggie B., Elaine H.

* Table Set Up to be done before the breakfast.

* Coffee to be started at 6:30, Grills to be lit by 6:30

* Discussion about preparations improvement based on suggestions from Randy Wilson email. Suggestions are good, but we are limited with space and equipment. Joanne will try to prescramble the eggs. The suggestion for the preparing the sausage in the oven is already being done. As for starting the bacon the day before, that is rather time consuming in regards to grillers and clean up, but we will try it for the Labor Day breakfast.

* Angel will make a list of the job responsibilities needed for a breakfast.

* It was decided to leave the big tent up for the July breakfast.

* Also decided that 4 folding picnic tables will be purchased in time for the July breakfast.

* Sue will fax the FHCC tax # to Sam's Club.

• Classes at the Center: Elaine H.

* Elaine suggested that the Center offer classes to the community as fundraisers.

* Suggestions were given, such as basket weaving, yoga, library book reading, etc.

* Elaine will put together a questionnaire for the July breakfast to see what people might be interested in.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:25. NEXT MEETING WILL BE AUGUST 13TH AT 7PM