

Port Norris Historical Society  
April 9, 2013

General Meeting

Attending: Ed & Kelli Adams, Alvina Baum, Robin Berry, Rachel Cobb, Joanne Hickman, Sam Ricci, & Richard Smith

Meeting was called to order by President Rachel Cobb.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as e-mailed

Treasurer's Report a/o of March 31, 2013.

Balance in General Fund. ( Includes Ricci Donation) is \$4858.72

Capital Fund            2399.01

Report approved.

Copy of report filed with original minutes.

Committee Reports: By-laws reports. Biggest issue is term limits and staggering of re-election dates. Staggering has been shuffled due to resignations. Discussion: Two year terms but can be re-elected indefinitely.

Action: Table until next meeting but needs to be considered and acted on. It will be decided at the May meeting. Have to consider several aspects of terms. Kelli was thanked for her work. Members need to look at it and consider prior to the meeting.

Correspondence: Note of thanks from John Laws for Legends Dinner.

Secretary responded to a letter from Port Norris Middle School regarding our participation in 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation with a \$50.00 prize. Recipient to be chosen by the faculty. Date needed.

Because our building is a neighboring property, we received a letter about Newcomb's Market putting in a new septic system No action needed.

Letter from SJI awarding us a \$1500 grant toward the purchase of a heating system . Heater has been purchased and is secure in the building. Thank you note to be sent to SJI.

Building Update: Rachel noted that a window is broken. Needs plywood to secure. We should have a wish list for the web-site in case anyone would like to donate a specific item. We are in agreement that we cannot restore the building but will try to stay true to the original design as it is repaired. Dick & Ed will measure windows and try to get an idea of replacement cost per window.

Rachel mentioned that a woman writes grants for the Gallery 50 in Bridgeton. Rachel will check with her to see how she operates. There are no display cases left. Rachel bought a podium for the Society.

Second Friday: Reviewed plans for our display . Table cover, banner, mugs, small coffees, digital frame, new donation box and membership forms plus food will be available. Rachel will do a presentation.

We will be downstairs. Very limited number of tickets left for our soup and chili dinner.

Dick has sold the majority of the tickets.

Legends dinner date: Discussed possible dates in Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice is October 20<sup>th</sup>

Rachel will make the contact. Check on the cost.

Have Legends nominations forms available at 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday and at the dinner. Must recommend candidates at the May meeting so that we will be prepared to start on the process.

Rachel thanked Ed Adams for the storm pictures. She will be working on a page of significant items that will become history.

Soup & chili dinner: Discussed the logistics of the dinner and supplies at length. Made a list of supplies and costs. Dick went over the list of the soups and chili and desserts that have been promised. Salads will be donated by members. Discussed Take-Out containers, etc. Decided that about 25 take outs will be available. Reviewed each member's responsibilities for the dinner. Authorize those responsible to purchase what they need and then get reimbursed by PNHS. Have tickets for 50/50 and door prize. Rachel will do tent cards to identify the soups. Kelli has worked out a DOT process to identify the soups, and chili in order to coordinate kitchen with the table needs.

Dick had a chart showing where things should be located. Discussed layout possibilities, assigned responsibilities. Rachel to be floor manager.

Tables will be set up on Saturday morning. 10 am Friday morning supplies can be dropped off at the Fire House. Discussed set up on Sat. morning. Dick will come later in the afternoon after being at the Project "Story Telling." Leslie will help us on Saturday to set up the warming trays, etc. Sam Ricci has 6 coolers for ice.

Discussed plan for leftovers? Feeling confident that all the bases have been covered, the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Alvina Baum, Recording Secretary