BHS Preservation Board Meeting October 7, 2014

BHS Preservation Board met on October 7, 2014, at the Bath Christian Church Fellowship Hall. Board members present were June Lee, Sandra Harrison, Muriel Moore, Jeannie Woolard, Margaret Woolard, Cori Fritz, Becky Tuten, and Claudia Alligood. Guests included Peggy Daw, Cindy Baldwin, Elaine Harrison, Marti Buchanan, and Ruth Dorkin. Becky Tuten called the meeting to order. She presented the agenda, which as approved (Motion, Claudia; second, Margaret Ann).

Members read over the minutes and supplied some minor corrections. Minutes were approved with corrections.

The treasurer's report showed a \$1818.56 sales tax refund from Golden Leaf. Our current checking account balance is \$74,052.96. The reported was approved (Motion, Sandra; second, Claudia)

Peggy Daw, former president of BHSP, was a guest at our meeting. As president of the Historic Bath Commission, Peggy's purpose for visiting our group was to share some of the year's plans and schedules of activities for the First Port Celebration for 2015 – 2016, the anniversary of Bath's designation as First Port. The commission's next meeting is November 14, and the following Christmas Open House plans were shared: December 13 – Christmas Open House, 10:00 Children's Art Exhibit, 10:30 Dedication of bench in memory of Bea Latham, 11:00 Panel Discussion of fire in Palmer-Marsh House, 12:00 – 4:00 Open House Hours.

Committee Reports

Fundraising – Claudia reminded the group of plans for the Annual Fall Raffle and encouraged everyone to see their raffle tickets to complete payment to the town for the building. Cori shared progress toward completion of details concerning the 5K. She shared the difficulty she had encountered with sponsorship for the 5K event. A discussion ensued concerning the combination of the raffle and the 5K and the possibility that these two events should be separated in the future.

Membership – Nelda reported that we currently have 320 members. She also explained how she gave credit for other donations and for in-kind donations to cover membership.

Building – Sandra shared her major objective, which is the completion of pending projects related to building improvements. She gave us an itemized list, including maintenance needs. A copy of the sheet is attached. Sandra will look at the current maintenance needs, and, depending on what is needed, will contact the board. She has looked at needs for the future with regard to revenue needed, and, generally, insurance should run about \$10,000; maintenance, \$5,000, and operation costs, \$10,000; therefore, the income needs will not change much even with the completion of payment for the building.

Events – The Christmas Parade entry was discussed. Margaret Ann Woolard is events' chair, and she will work with Elaine Harrison to complete the float. Cindy Baldwin volunteered John with a truck and trailer to pull the float. She said that Reuben Braddy might have room in one of his buildings for work on the float.

Strategic Planning - No report at this time

Cindy Baldwin will push the sale of bricks during the parade.

Old Business

The Board members need to purchase their own insurance again this year. The cost is \$50 per person. The motion passed (Motion, James Russell; second, Margaret Ann).

The newsletter was mailed on the day of the meeting. Articles for the next newsletter need to be sent to Joanne Childs the latter part of November and no later and mid to late December.

New Business

We were given a tentative calendar for the coming year. The calendar was approved with minimal changes. (Motion Margaret Ann; second, Claudia)

We went over standing committees. Muriel Moore agreed to serve as chairman of the Building Committee, and James Russell Boyd agreed to chair the Nominating Committee. Sandra moved to accept the chairmen; James Russell seconded the motion, and the proposed chairs were confirmed.

Discussion about the gallery area brought about ideas for displays during the holidays at no charge to the displayer. June Wallace is in charge of approving use of the gallery space. She is drawing up guidelines for such use.

Sandra reported on a website from the Turnage via Joey Toler.

We have been asked to give serious consideration to a name for the gallery.

Sandra moved to adjourn; James Russell seconded.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

Minutes approved on Navarland 4, 2014

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