

BHS Preservation Board of Directors' Meeting

March 8, 2016

The BHS Preservation Board of Directors met on Tuesday, March 8, at 7:00 at the Bath Christian Church Fellowship Hall, Ruth Dorkiin Presiding. Ruth welcomed our newest member Gary Hollis.

The agenda was approved (Motion, Claudia; second, Celestia).

Minutes were read, corrected as to the cost of shutters for the gallery windows, and approved (motion, Celestia; Second, Becky).

As a prelude to the treasurer's report, Claudia announced that the profit from the oyster roast/raffle event was \$27, 689.04. June gave the treasurer's report, showing a checking account balance of \$36,432.96.

The report was approved (motion, Becky; second, Claudia).

Committee Reports

Building: Variances were approved by the town council. Sandra will talk with Keith Mason with regard to information for the deed. Keith will draft the deed. The board will review the deed prior to final closing.

Fundraising: Upcoming events to be scheduled are a yard sale in June and a 5K in October.

Claudia explained to the group that Jerol and Sonya Selby had been providing the venue for the oyster roast for ten years at great expense to themselves. Jerol has seen that we have everything we need to make the event run as smoothly as possible. They have not agreed to accept any compensation for the generosity and have refused gifts. She asked the groups to consider giving the Selbys a gift card for two nights at the Ocracoke Harbor Inn (their favorite spot to visit). The group responded unanimously to the suggestion and added the suggestion of adding a brick in the Selbys' honor to the memorial walkway.

Grants: Ray McKethan of PCS will meet with Muriel soon to see the building and to consider if and how PCS can help our project.

Membership: Membership currently stands at 403.

Gallery: The naming of the gallery continues to be an issue. Ruth, Becky and Sandra will meet with the lady from Grady White to go over suggestions.

On Memorial Day, May 28, Bath Fest and Port Bath Celebration will be held, and it is believed that the gallery may be used as a venue of some exhibit.

Old Business:

Capping Chimney - A migratory office from Creswell reported to Ruth that chimney swifts have already begun their migration at this time, and chimneys cannot be capped after eggs are laid. They will return to the tropics between September and the end of October; then chimneys can be capped without breaking

any laws. Caps have been fabricated, and the creator has no problem waiting for installation. Bottom line, we can't do anything at this time. Sue Trevathan contacted Ruth and said we should be hearing from the Audubon Society about a presentation. Ricky suggested letting the issue rest for now and then cap the chimneys in October after the birds leave. There was some discussion as to what to do with the grant money the HBF was to give to BHSP for the capping of the chimneys since we will be using only one of the caps.

The hangers need to be replaced in the gallery. Stuart Lammon may be available to help rehang them.

Woodmen of the World will give our group a new flag. The rope will be repaired by Ricky Carawan.

We are ready to give a list of suggested divisions for the auditorium/kitchen project to Muriel so that he can begin generated some estimates for the purpose of grant writing.

Ricky has been looking around the building and has made the following observations:

Auditorium seats can be marketed. but there is a very small market.

Windows do not have locks; he will attend to that. Someone will check with Sandra to see if there is any hardware on hand. Windows

do not have to be opened if the need arises to permanently close them.

Ricky also feels that we need to concentrated on the completion of the gallery and the kitchen before starting any other projects. Everyone seems to be in agreement with his analysis.

He also mentioned gutter downspouts.

He reported that the estimate for shutters from Ried Boseman (The Shutter Factory) is \$3,624.54.

The meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is Tuesday, April 5.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Alligood, Secretary

Minutes approved _____

President, Ruth W. Dorkin
Secretary, Claudia W. Alligood