

## **Minutes of The Windsor-Severance Historical Society September 27, 2021**

The Windsor-Severance Historical Society met in person on Monday, September 27 at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were Kristie Melendez, Sue Buxmann, Dan Meyers, Ruth Brunner, Marcia Will-Clifton, Laura Browarny, Debbie Bates and Judy Firestien. Also in attendance was new member Marcela Johnson.

**Call to Order** - Kristie Melendez called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

### **Monthly Reports/Approvals**

**August Minutes** - The Minutes from the previous meeting on August 30, 2021 were reviewed. Sue moved and Dan seconded the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sue reported the balance in checking is \$3,741.03, savings balance is \$20,195.71 and the CD balance is \$3,318.64. The checking balance included a PayPal transfer of \$196.37 and a check from Great Western in the amount of \$152.37. There was only one check to Smart Marketing, so it doesn't look like the check has gone to Bethel yet. Kristi will follow up. Payments need to go to the Windsor Chamber for \$225 and to the Severance Chamber for \$100.

**Membership Status/Update** – Sue didn't have anything new to report. Kristi is following up with PDC on the donation they said they wanted to make. She will ask them if they would like to be a sponsor for the event. Her contact is checking on the status of the donation.

### **Old Business**

**Update from Town** – Laura reported on the transcribing and indexing of videos. She now has digital versions of all 50 plus videos. Many are up on YouTube and as they continue transcribing and indexing, they will all be available online through YouTube and can be searched via keyword. There was some discussion about the YouTube channels and where the videos should be housed. There is a link from the WSHS website to the YouTube interviews. More volunteers are needed for the transcribing work. Transcripts will also be available and will be listed in the description with the YouTube video.

Laura also gave an update on the Poudre Pour. There were about 150-175 attendees. The WSHS big photo was set up next to the AHSGR booth. They were very appreciative as the photo drew people to the booths. WSHS hopes to partner more with ASHGR in the future. Dan also suggested adding a place where the brochures could be mounted on the side of the photo. The Museum will keep the photo in the Foursquare Farmhouse for now.

The Halloween Carnival will take place on Saturday, October 30 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. and the WSHS could have a table to give away candy and share information on the organization, if they would like. There are usually about 3,000 kids who come through and it takes place at the historic buildings at Boardwalk Park. The Museum is also offering cemetery tours through October. Laura will send a link. Windsor Wonderland is also coming up the first Saturday in December. Laura hopes to have the Big TV working soon to at least show 3-5 minute video clips from six different videos which will be available on six different channels on the TV. This will be available for the November event.

**History Appreciation Event** – The History Appreciation Event is scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Art and Heritage Center and will be called “Legends and Lessons”. Kristi will work on invitations, rack card, and a timeline banner that can be used at other events also. Don Reichert has agreed to be photographer at the event for a stipend of \$80. There will be a photo opportunity also for the interviewees at 3:30 p.m. for official photos.

Kristi will write a press release, but there is no certainty it will appear in the paper. The Museum will help with this and it will appear in the Muse News and the Museum Communications person may be able to help also. Appetizers and adult beverages will be served. Since it is a free and open to the public event, the Museum’s liquor license will cover this. Donations from local breweries and restaurants will be sought. For the event, the tv will be used in addition to the banner, brochures and rack card. An additional laptop might be available to show interviewees their videos in a quiet corner of the museum. The display at this time will be a community art show. Laura will send the Museum logo to Kristi for use in materials. Invitations will be mailed and sent out electronically, posted on Facebook and included in Muse News. Laura will include a “Save The Date” in the October Muse News with more information to be included in the November edition.

### **New Business**

**WSHS Video** – Kristi will follow up with Dave Bruen/Bruen Media. Dan mentioned he had been in contact with Dave through another meeting and Dave would give Kristi a call. He does these types of videos and would be interested in helping the Society.


**WSHS YouTube Channel** – The YouTube Channel will be fixed so that everyone who needs access has access. If Laura has access, she can start dropping in the transcripts as they are completed.

**Board Communications** - Dan commented on the “Tails of Tailholt” and other books. Sue mentioned she had taken a copy to Coren, but they are short staffed right now. Coren could reprint it in the form of a spiral book. Severance will be adding a branch of the Clearview Library next to Town Hall. He will check with Town Council on their ideas for Severance’s involvement with the Society. Laura has a form regarding reproduction of books that she will give to Dan. Kristi talked with Lou Ann Kadlub and she may have an interest in continuing forward with the book from 1985. Colorado Humanities may have grant funds available.

The Christmas promotion for a book and membership package might be done again this year. Bricks might be considered again in the Spring. Recognition of the completed section of the Poudre River Trail will be coming up and the Museum hopes to do an event with booths. Laura will check back with the Society on participation. Design work is currently underway for rehabilitation of the Eaton House. Construction is planned for next year. Construction at the Halfway Homestead is hoped to begin next year also. The Society might want to tie in and/or sponsor somehow.

**Next Meeting** - The next meeting will be in person at Bethel Lutheran Church on October 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Judy Firestien, Secretary