

Goodsprings Historical Society
Annual Meeting
May 2, 2009
Minutes

The annual meeting of the Goodsprings Historical Society was called to order by President Stephen Fleming at 2:30 PM in the Goodsprings Community Center.

Sixty eight people signed the ledger book.

Following the pledge of allegiance, the minutes of the last annual meeting were approved as printed. Voice vote acclamation. Patricia Poole conducted the memorial tribute to GHS members who have passed away this year: Cleve Kemple, Don Russ, Felix Viscuglia, Lee Crider, Juanita Lamb Kemple.

Treasurer Mickey Moran reported a balance of \$6,063.25 in the GHS checking account. An information sheet on income/expenditures was available for the members. The treasurer's report was approved by voice vote acclamation.

President's report: President Fleming gave thanks to the following individuals for their work for GHS this year:
Ram Lamb, Virgil Poole: retiring GHS Board members
Dave Beisecker: GHS representative to the Rails to Trails project
Brad Whitney and Charles Barnes: hosts for the Old-Timer's Breakfast on Sunday
Ruth and Phil Rawlinson and Liz Warren: overseeing the old Community Clubhouse repairs
Carolyn Edwards: CCSD Trustee for her help in securing another year for the Goodsprings school
He recognized Mrs. Edwards and asked her to speak to the school issues. Mrs. Edwards reported that she will propose at the next CCSD Board meeting that the 6 students at Primm be transferred to Goodsprings and that the Goodsprings School be given 3 additional years before a decision on closing is made. She encouraged the group to approach the Board with creative ideas on the unique education available in Goodsprings and the historic aspects of the school.

Committee Reports

Newsletter/Brochures: Mary Blake requested members send articles for newsletters to Society. Joy Fiore is working on the Sandy Valley brochure.

Membership: Fleming requested those who had not joined yet to pay membership dues to Moran. Moran requested members add their email addresses as a way to save postage.

Memory Book: Bobbie Poole passed around binders with photos and memorial articles. She requested additional information for these books.

Scholarship: A plan to have an art/poster contest for the Goodsprings School students was proposed as a way for students to learn the story of the town and the places within it. Students would illustrate a building in Goodsprings and give factual information on the building to accompany the artwork.

The idea was enlarged to include stories, poems, songs, plays. Judging would take place before the annual meeting and students would be invited to show their efforts and receive awards at the annual meeting. Bonnie Casto, Lia Roberts, Dave Beisecker, Liz Warren and Annette Fisherman will work out the details.

Nominations: Two Board members are retiring this year: Virgil Poole and Ram Lamb. The Nominating committee has submitted the names of Brad Whitney and Larry Anderson for these seats. Fleming asked for nominations from the floor. Seeing none, he called for a motion to approve the nominations of Brad Whitney and Larry Anderson for 3 year terms. (V.Poole/D.Blake)
Approved by voice vote acclamation.

Sandy Valley: John Bacher reported that the Sandy Valley Historical Society has had 2 meetings, but has not yet decided whether they want to stay independent or join the GHS. They have a school history and oral history committee and are working to promote the history of Sandy. He announced an event to be held May 8. This event, Culturati, is a juried photo show followed by dinner and entertainment

Unfinished Business

Club House: Fleming reported that repairs have been made to the Clubhouse for the damage incurred when a vehicle hit it. The roof still needs major repairs and the doors need to be replaced. Warren offered to solicit members of the community to make the repairs. A balance of \$700 is remaining in the Clubhouse account. Warren made a motion to authorize up to \$1000 for the repairs (Lia Roberts, D. Blake). After discussion the motion passed.

Goodsprings Cemetery Association: Ruth Rawlinson reported the American Legion was planning a Veteran's Day flag ceremony. Las Vegas Rock has donated a sandstone marker with the names of veterans who are buried in the cemetery. A way to add future names was discussed. The GCA is looking for someone to put together a plot map and plan for future additions to the cemetery.

Rails to Trails: Fleming noted that Shapins Belt Collins, the company hired by Clark County to complete the planning for the Yellow Pine Rail Trail, are in Goodsprings for the annual meeting and are asking for input from members on the proposed trail alignments. He encouraged members to view their displays and talk with them. Warren suggested the current GHS walking tour needs to be revised to include additional sites. Shapins has offered to provide expertise graphic design help in producing the new walking tour.

Fundraising: V. Poole showed the newest addition to the Goodsprings mug collection: The Pioneer. The mugs were offered for a \$10 donation.

Drawing tickets were distributed for 4 handmade pillows decorated with early Goodsprings photographs. The pillows were made and donated by Bobbie Poole.

Drawing winners were Bob Osborn, Mike Cartwright, Bill Hamilton and Bob Rile.

New Business

O.J.. and Della Fisk: Warren asked members to view photos from the Fisk collection to see if anyone could identify people in them. Fisk was a principal in the Yellow Pine Mill operation.

Save Our School: A committee: Julie Newberry, Ruth Rawlinson, Steve Fleming, Liz Warren, has been formed to prevent the Goodsprings School closing in 2010. Volunteers should contact one of these members, or the GHS at Goodsprings.org to find out how to help.
Correspondence: A letter from Mike Cartwright was read.

Announcements:

Members who would like to man a booth for the Cultural History Fair at the Springs Preserve in Las Vegas on May 9 were asked to contact Mary Blake.

Next annual meeting: May 1, 2010.

Members were reminded to attend the Miner's Breakfast tomorrow 9-11 at the Community Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Blake