

**Cornville Historical Society, Inc.**

**Up the Creek Grill**

**Cornville, AZ 86325**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, February 12, 2020**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Janet Cassagio at 10:15am.

**Roll Call:** Board members, Janet Cassagio, Don Welcome, Elaine Vallely, Cindy Snyder and Veronica Moody were present. Absent were Nita Rhinehart, Cheryl Chamberlain, Diana Stipek and Don Godard. Guest, Sharon Morehouse was present

**Board Minutes:** The minutes of January were read and approved, as corrected. Veronica made a motion to approve and Don Welcome seconded. A correction was noted, changing the number of paid memberships from 62 to 53.

**Treasurer's Report:** Janet distributed copies of January's treasurer's report. The general fund balance was \$14,587.54. The balance of the general fund and Post Office fund through January was \$15,444.35. The report will be filed. Janet presented the proposed budget for 2020, after some discussion it was agreed to increase the operating budget by \$100 (membership income \$100, to offset post office box rent \$10, printing & copies \$30 and website \$60) and to transfer \$10,000 from the general fund to a Property Fund for a future historical society site. The proposed budget as amended was approved, with Muffy making the motion and Veronica seconded.

**Reports:**

**Membership:** There are 13 honorary members, 54 paid members (17 families x 2 members each = 34 + 20 individuals), 4 paid businesses memberships and 1 contributing member for a total of 72 members in good standing as of November 20, 2019. The membership report will be filed.

**Post Office Project:** Nothing new to report

**Brick Project:** Cindy hopes to complete the walkway in late spring or early summer, if they can.

**Old Business:**

**Annual Meeting finalization:** The meeting will be held at First Southern Baptist Church, 11340 Circle Drive, Cornville, at 1:00 pm, Thursday, March 19, 2020. After the business portion of the meeting, the program will feature Kip Williams, Director of Clemenceau Museum speaking about the Gypsum Caves near Naica, Mexico. Board members will meet at 12:15 pm to set up. Veronica will bring water, paper goods and cookies. Muffy will buy veggie and dessert platters from Costco. Sharon, Cindy and Janet will bring cookies. Janet presented the flyer, news release, program packet and newsletter for the

boards review. She will revise them as needed; send the news release to Muffy for getting them to the newspapers and print 50 copies of the program packets and newsletter for mailing and having available at the meeting. Tracey Campbell and Sharon Morehouse have agreed to join our board. Don Welcome announced he will continue on the board and as membership chair.

**Historic signs:** This item was tabled for future discussion.

**Oral Histories/Site Inventories:** Muffy offered to help transcribe the oral histories we have not completed. Janet shared a copy of the historic site inventory completed on the old Greenwell barn and farm utility building. The site inventory will be added to our files.

**Announcements:**

Janet shared a copy of the report received from the U. S. Department of Transportation regarding the Verde Connect road project, enumerating all of the known cultural sites in the project area. The historical society had to sign-off on this project, again stating to the best of our knowledge this road will not interfere with any known prehistoric animal tracks. Janet signed for us.

Janet will be presenting for the OLLI program on the history of Cornville on March 3. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> installment of 3 per year. The program consists of 6 sessions each time, with 7 historical societies participating on a revolving basis in the fall, winter and spring.

Mike Gabrielson, from Bullhead City, AZ, shared photos of growing up in Cornville from 1960 – 1978. He has agreed to share additional photos and visit us for an oral history. Mike is the grandson of Mary Cornelison Booth, our postmaster from 1961 – 1975.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2020, following the Annual Meeting Program at First Southern Baptist Church.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Cassagio, Treasurer