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**Monthly membership meeting
January 26, 2010**

The January 2010 membership meeting was called to order by Linda Mooney, President. Birthdays and anniversaries were announced. Dolores Norris, Steve Leibrant and Donna Goodrich were among those with birthdays. Introductions were made around the room.

The minutes of the last membership meeting were approved with a motion from Stu McKay and a second from Serena Leibrant.

The Treasurer's Report was approved with a motion from Serena Leibrant and a second from Stu McKay.

Serena Leibrant gave a profile of a Heritage Society member that was guessed by Steve Leibrant. Beth Buckland was the subject of the profile. Beth was a former Travel Agent.

Board Review

Ruth Ashe was thanked for her job as coordinator. Mili Rauwolf was welcomed as the new coordinator and stated that she is enjoying the position. She lives close to the park. At the last Board meeting a budget was discussed. Linda Harkleroad and Linda Mooney are putting a letter together to split the cost of projects. Annette Bagley is working on the Cookbook project. Stu McKay introduced the new Superintendent of Ferndale Schools, Linda Quinnm, to promote having the school levy approved in the election on February 9th. The new levy replaces the current levy and the maximum increase to Ferndale tax payers will be \$10.00 more a year.

New Business

Mili Rauwolf was voted in as the new park coordinator at \$10.00 an hour. Barry Snook, Bob Graves, and Steve Leibrant are working on insulation of the barn. There is wood that is still green and is being dried for use. The barn will be insulated before the Granary and School House get new ceilings.

Thank you letters went out to Old Fashioned Christmas donators and to the Iris foundation.

The web page will be updated by Annette Bagley.

The Heritage Society will serve at the Man and Woman of the Year award banquet on January 28th at the Senior Center. This year the honorees are Baerbel Marquart and Ken Sager.

We are still trying to sell the white picket fence. It is for sale for \$1200.00 and was purchased for \$1400.00. It is 8 feet by 150 feet. If anyone is interested, they can purchase the fence otherwise it will be listed on Craig's List. Paul Ingram suggested that we should donate the fence to be used at RiverWalk Park. To protect the trees.

Membership dues are payable tonight.

Old Business

Fred Sutcliffe announced that the Larson cabin will be completed this year. Heat should be installed this year. The new cabin has been dedicated to Fred Sutcliffe.

The old Boys and Girls Club will be refurbished for use by the Old Settlers Association and the Heritage Society. It will have new restrooms and a new roof. Funds from insurance will be used to fix it up. The City bought property west of the Old Dimitri's restaurant location for the new library. ConocoPhillips donated \$6000.00 The Police Department will be located in the old library building

Sunshine Committee: Dolores Norris sent a get well card to Joyce Snook who had carpal tunnel surgery. Chuck Chasteen was sent a card for his stay in the hospital with issues with High Blood pressure.

The Heritage Society Cookbook meeting will be taking place soon. More recipes are needed.

The Gardening committee stated that it is time to plant flowers. There were 251 packages of seeds for flowers that were donated by Ace Hardware. We were allowed to help ourselves with the idea of planting them in time for the annual Plant Sale in May.

Mili our new coordinator stated that the Northwest Hispanic Chamber of Commerce wanted to have their meetings at the Tillicum House.

The cataloging committee has plans to put an ancient program on a laptop computer.

Elinor King reported for the Parks Board about the linear park on 2nd Ave. Park benches are for sale to honor the "movers and shakers" of Ferndale from way back. Fred Sutcliffe, Ethel McKay and Loren Jensen are in this category.

Bertella Hansen reporting for the Ferndale Downtown Association stated that they have a newly retired welder that is making benches for downtown Ferndale. The Kiwanis Club and Donna Pollman have purchased benches. They are \$1000.00 each and the hope is to have 11 benches on Main Street. The committee is hoping to plant cedar trees at Pioneer Park for Arbor Day, the first Tuesday in April.

Brent Goodrich, liaison for the City Council announced that there will be three Community meetings at different schools to bring people up to date on what is going on in Ferndale. The first meeting will be on March 23rd at Cascadia Elementary School.

Highway clean up was scheduled for Saturday January 30th . Meet at MacDonald's at 7:30 for breakfast.

Motion to adjourn was made by Annette Bagley with a second from Stu McKay.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Chasteen, Secretary