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General Membership Meeting Minutes of June 30, 2009

The Ferndale Heritage Society meeting was called to order by Linda Harkleroad, President. Introductions were made around the room and anniversaries and birthdays were announced.

The minutes of the last membership meeting were approved with a motion from Beth Buckland and a second from Donna Pollman.

The Treasurers report was approved with a motion from Kathy Chasteen and a second from Barry Snook.

Board Update

The Bergsma house lease has been retained by the City. A door has been installed on the back to allow people to use the rest room without having access to other parts of the house. We are looking for some group to reimburse us for the white picket fence that was to go in front of the Bergsma House. The cost of the fence was \$1600.00.

The Holeman House has been reinked. The Granary needs to be tightened up and a false ceiling needs to be added to the school house. We will be talking to the City about raising the tour rates for next year. Linda Mooney sent Thank You notes to those who attended the Boys and Girls Club Auction. The cabins all need cleaning before the Old Settlers Picnic. Spiders in the cabins are an issue. There was a float committee meeting. Anyone who wants to can walk with the float in the parade in Pioneer dress. The parade begins at 11am on July 25. Volunteers are still needed to man the cabins during Old Settlers. The D.U.P.I. Garden Club will be holding a flower show during the Old Settlers picnic.

Old Business

The electrical upgrades passed inspection.

Someone is at the park every Saturday at 8 am to work at the park. Paul Ingram asked anyone who is at the park to watch for a delivery of cedar logs to be used in the Education Program. Paul will be taking them to his house.

Committee Reports

Dolores Norris our Sunshine Lady didn't have anyone to send cards to this month.

Annette Bagley has been working on our web page and added some new links.

Kay Sutcliffe worked with the flowers at Pioneer park and it looks really nice. Elinor King has spent almost every day at the park and is looking for a crew to turn the sprinklers on at night and to turn them off in the morning.

Elinor King also amended the minutes from the last meeting to say that the park was an off leash dog park and another park is a disc golf course. (Kathy's hearing must have been screwed up at the last meeting).

Ruth Ash Community coordinator needs tour guides for the 4th of July at 3 pm for a group.

Pat Button tour guide on Tuesday, June 30th had a visitor who looked at the "gum" machine in the Foster House and said it dispenses money not gum. The machine was build in 1902 and Chief Knapp says in its present state it is worth about \$3000.00. Chief Knapp rebuilds slot machines and says that restored the machine would be worth \$18,000 to \$20,000.00.

The cataloging committee will be checking on what is in the Bergsma House.

Brent Goodrich reported that the Annual Meeting was poorly attended only 100 people attended.

Kathy Chasteen reported on the Ferndale Community Service cooperative. At the present time funding is an issue. We spent around \$200.00 a month on telephone and copy machine rental. At the present time there is not a regular source of income for the resource center.

The July program will be Show and Tell. Bring an antique or other item that you want to show off or come tell about a trip or some experience in your lift.

The Farmers Market is holding an Ugly Truck Contest.

Julie Aamot stated that a relative of Blanket Bill Jarmin is coming to the park on Thursday, July 2nd after 11am.

Jeff Tompson made a motion to adjourn.

Refreshments were provided by Bertella Hansen, and Ruth Ashe.

The program was Janice Bethman our story teller for the Education Program showing how she tells stories to the kids. It was fun and educational.

Upcoming Events

Ongoing -Farmers Market -every Saturday

July 14, 7 pm Ferndale Heritage Society Board meeting Bergsma House

July 18, 9-noon, Work Party at Pioneer Park

July 23-26th Old Settlers Picnic at Pioneer Park

July 28, 7 pm Ferndale Heritage Society General meeting Show and Tell Program

August 29th Ferndale Street Festival and non-profit Expo

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Chasteen, Secretary