

## **MINUTES**

### **Port Costa Conservation Society Board of Directors Meeting, March 18, 2019**

Ridge Greene, Chairman	<u>Attending</u>
Jeff Wilson, Vice Chairman	<u>Attending</u>
Michael Domagalski, Secretary	<u>Attending</u>
Anne Mann, Treasurer	<u>Attending</u>
Suzanne Statler, Financial Secretary	<u>Attending</u>

Also attending: Spencer Sargent, Michelle Bow, Veronica Crane, Carol Palacio, Janet Tatterson, Anthony Guarnieri, Dee Stewart, Hilary Sheridan

**Meeting:** Called to order by Chairman at 7:04 pm

**Last Meeting's Minutes:** approved

**This Month's Agenda:** amended, approved

#### **1. Public Comments**

- a. Anthony Guarnieri: asking to use School auditorium for public talk Fall 19 or Spr 20 (referred to Jeff to arrange). Also expressed concern about the "Lake Project". Feels he doesn't have sufficient information to make educated decision. Recounted activism experience in Berkeley. Wants construction schedule. Wants a structure for the entire "village" to communicate around project. Wants some form of township oversight committee. Left Board with hand-out. (Responses from others: no construction date set; TFS has yet to do geological, environmental etc. prep work & submit its plans to the County. PCCS' involvement is laid out in its website – limited to how School would be used. County will hold public hearings to address concerns. Anthony is free to form a Town Council. Past versions have not lasted. He will be sent contact information for BVAC & TFS and past minutes of former PC Advisory Committee.) PCCS accepted notes & hand-out addressed to "Historical Society", secretary will file with minutes.
- b. Anne M: asking for information about 4/20 Earth Day clean-up.

#### **2. Treasurer's Report**

- a. Financial reports handed out, no further discussion needed.
- b. Memberships are coming in, donations received including one from Carol for Museum.

#### **3. Chairman's Report**

- a. Update given on progress on grants work (see Ongoing Business a.).

#### **4. Events Report**

- a. Grant Committee workshop took place March 4, to develop Valley and other grants.

#### **5. Upcoming Events**

- a. First baking class by Rene on 4/8.
- b. Election on 4/15. Since nominations have been received, there will be an election for the 2 expiring Board seats. Per bylaws a ballot will be mailed to each PCCS member no later than the last Monday of March (3/25). The two current members running will not participate in the election process. Election committee will be Ridge, Jeff, Veronica; Dee helping. Discussion of election process. Bios submitted by candidates are accepted as is. All members paying dues before election are eligible to vote.
- c. Grizzly Peak Century 5/5, workers ride tentatively 5/11. They are paid up.
- d. Green Cleanup day confirmed 5/13.

- e. Fund-raiser for museum 5/16, 6:30-8 pm. See Ongoing Business c.
- f. Town-wide Yard Sale 5/25. Work beginning.
- g. Weddings: Berryman/Hollander 6/1, Pierce/Rosser 7/13, List 10/5, Waterman 10/12. Two other weddings pending – one contacted Jeff but no response on September offer. If these 2 don't happen, not accepting any other weddings this year.
- h. Fourth of July (10<sup>th</sup> annual parade). Bathrooms open, announcements and music on front porch.
- i. Car Show. Hilary and Mitch in charge. Hilary proposed Sunday August 4 for the event. There has been some difficulty with music provider's payment, Board ok w/other options. Pulled pork bbq planned. Entry fee is \$35, Hilary wanting to encourage attendance by lowering to \$30. Lower early-bird fee proposed.
- j. Hobo Hoe-Down event proposed earlier is uncertain at this point.

## 6. Ongoing Business

- a. Grant Committee – special meeting to restart grants work took place Mar. 4. Work ongoing on a new Valley Foundation grant for auditorium et. al. CCF permit application for the backstairs is done. We have bids for backstairs. Low bid is from Robert Jones \$17,180 staircase & railing, \$2,800 for door & hardware repair (\$19,980 total). Other bids mentioned, Chairman recommends R. Jones. Board voted & approved R. Jones.
- b. Deed restriction: necessary before any joint use agreement established, specifying ownership of school long-term. Shared use and space yes, but no external ownership.
- c. Status of museum & archive organization work. Dee would like to present museum as “Port Costa Museum managed and operated by the PCCS”, its own entity under PCCS. Fund-raiser planned seeking to disseminate information, get volunteers & donations. Work ongoing. Scanning planned for upcoming Thursdays and Fridays. Discussed difference between museum and archives. All archival materials will go through museum documentation process. They will apply for CCF grant for fund-raising event.
- d. Status of alarm system and phone lines. Phone lines straightened out. Ridge checking on obtaining security cameras due to vandalism concerns.
- e. Elevator. Ridge to schedule inspection.
- f. Field Semester Operating Plan status. TFS has to start their county application process before any further action possible.
- g. Knox Box status. Ridge has submitted application, there will be a fee.
- h. Website status. Jeanavive updates it as her schedule allows.
- i. Fence repair. Nothing recently done.
- j. Baking class by Rene. Rene has posted announcement. First one 4/8. About 4 have signed up thus far.
- k. Status of fire truck. Tom List rescued the 1937 fire truck from Crockett Fire Association, obtained a container, painted it, and installed it behind school, cleared out vines. Fire truck will be brought in within a few weeks. It will be documented in the museum.

## 7. New Business

- a. Suzanne Statler was appointed Financial Secretary of PCCS Board by unanimous vote. Suzanne welcomed and provided with keys.
- b. The CCF's request to hold their Board meeting at the School on Thursday June 6, 6-9 pm was approved.

Meeting adjourned: 8:40 pm