

FCHC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
Community Center with Masks and Social Distancing
NOVEMBER 17, 2020

Laura Hennings called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Present: Laura Hennings, Bill & Susie Metcalf, Harvey Dunn, Marcia Beasley, Janie Stewart, Terri Hartman, Tom Ritchie, Ralph Johnson, Eileen Clark, Sharon Thompson

Corrections to Jan 14 2020 minutes: Ralph Johnson was present.

- **Motion:** *Marcia Beasley moved that the Heritage Council sponsor the old fashioned signs, floral sculptures and corner enhancement projects. Second Janie Stewart. The motion was approved.*
- **Motion:** *Harvey Dunn moved that the museum remain closed until further notice. Second Marcia Beasley. The motion passed.*
- **Cares Act:** Harvey Dunn asked if we might be eligible to receive Cares Act funds? Laura Hennings said she would ask the Treasurer of the Historical Society.

Membership Report: Charla Bauer & Sandy Cross: See separate report.

Finance: Janie Stewart: Operating expenses budget was presented in writing showing monthly and annual expenses. Donations have come in response to a letter sent to the membership for sponsoring Giant Christmas Cards, other projects or for the general fund.

County Store: Marcia Beasley: See separate report.

TREES: Winnie Schreiber was suggested as the most knowledgeable person to take Frank Peter's place on the Committee as the liaison with the county, arborist & community.

DECORATIONS: The garden club will be putting up decorations in town & on the trees on Dec 2. The Giant Christmas cards will go up the same day.

MUSEUM: Bill Metcalf cautioned against opening due to the growing number of COVID19 cases here and through the country. After discussion, Harvey Dunn made a motion that the museum remain closed until further notice. Marcia Beasley seconded the motion and it passed.

Dampier Cemetery: Due to budget concerns, FCHC will pass the baton to Inverness after many years of maintaining it at FCHC expense.

Operational Plan: Bill Metcalf suggested brainstorming a future business model.

Projects: Laura Hennings:

- **Old Fashioned SIGNS:** waiting final permit approval from the county.

- **Flowers around Town** will need painting & clear coating, then placed in pots weighted w/ concrete & rebar to hold them to the ground, **with** holes drilled for drainage.
- Permission for placement in town center is pending from Citrus County Parks & Rec.
- **The CORNER clean up received a \$1000 donation and same folks have begun work on the clean-up.**
- Fencing or other barrier to parking, flowers, smoothing the surface, benches and other removable options to enhance the appearance were discussed.

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Submitted by Terri Hartman for Secretary Paulette Ritchie

Adjournment: 6:22 p.m.