

JERICO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES | JULY 11, 2024

Members present: Ann Squires, Sue Richardson, Shelly Dionne, Keiko Williams, Betty Koshinsky, Stacie Griffiths. Guest: Nancy Spier

Agenda: as presented by Keiko Williams. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

Community Comments: None reported

Officers Reports:

Vice President – Sue Richardson

1. Tax Update: The Town tax bill for JHS property has not been received yet. Sue plans to work with the Select Board on tax forgiveness, but we first need to know what the amount due will be.
2. Mill Restoration Update: Sue and Ann plan a meeting with all parties involved with the Restoration project, and she will be in contact with Jackson next week.

Recording Secretary: Reporting is due for January, April, and June Board Minutes, to be sent by email for approval. This will be completed once computer issues are resolved.

Corresponding Secretary:

1. Newsletter: Keiko again asked for content items to be submitted for inclusion.

Treasurer: Stacie Griffiths

Reports on Q2 P&L and Budget Vs Actual analysis figures will be completed soon and will be provided by email.

President: No report.

Craft Shop:

1 - Craft Shop Sales – June 2024

JUNE 2023 \$11,032.84 | JUNE 2024 \$11,217.58

Sue's note: As in May, this is a slight increase over last year. However, prior to 2023, average June sales were about \$8,500. Overall, CS sales reflected a very good month.

YEAR TO DATE: 2023 \$35,251.48 | 2024 \$47,516.38

+ \$12,264.90 = 34.8% AHEAD OF 2023

(Craft shop report continued next page)

Sue's conservative projection for 2024 craft shop was for 5% sales increase over last year. We are currently well ahead of that. Additionally, there is a new item of note at the Craft Shop: Paw Print will be creating a jigsaw puzzle of the Red Mill as a donation to JHS, which will sell for \$30 - \$35 at the shop. Proceeds from sales of this item will be donated to the Restoration Fund. It should be ready sometime in September.

Committee Reports:

1. Collections – Keiko obtained a computer.
2. Mill House Rental – Lights – Board made a motion to approve installation of Mill House back porch lights. Mike Dionne will install recessed lighting.
Facility use - First floor tenant requested permission to have a backyard fire pit. The Board approved the request under conditions – 1- it must be a free-standing, enclosed firepit, placed a reasonable distance from the back porch, and 2 – the tenant's Renters Insurance must include liability coverage of \$500K. Sue checked with our insurance agent and a firepit is not prohibited.

Old Business:

1. Events: Tammy Davis event is date is TBD, possibly in August. Ann and Shelly will report on a scheduled date after checking in with Tammy
2. Garden & Interpretive Sign update – Nancy Spier:
Nancy presented the design as a draft for Board members to review. She will email a PDF of the interpretive sign text for proof-reading. Board members are asked to respond by email with any changes, prior to final approval of the sign production. Nancy will work with Ray Kinnear to finalize the sign order within the budget set by the Board.

New Business:

Jericho Historic District roadside signage: Deterioration to roadside signs entering the Village along Rt. 15 was discussed. Repairs are the responsibility of the Town. We will need to ask Paula Carrier to initiate the work needed to make repairs.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 8, 2024

Executive Session: Called to order at 7:00 PM. Topics covered:

1. VT DOL Ruling on Unemployment Tax
2. VT Child Care Tax (Employer/Employee) effective 7/01/24.
3. Salaried / Exempt vs. Non-Exempt employee ruling: subject to DOL enforcement.

Motion to Adjourn by Ann Squires, second by Stacie Griffiths. Meeting adjourned 7:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Koshinsky

Recording Secretary