



**HISTORICAL COMMITTEE
Heritage Park Train Depot
Meeting of Tuesday, January 8, 2019**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Linda Vallejo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL

Present: Sally Gaitan, Merrie Hathaway, Adrienne Matte, Larry Oblea, Mark Scoggins, Linda Vallejo

Absent: Francis Carbajal, Amparo Oblea, Tony Reyes, Astrid Shesterkin

Council Liaison: To be appointed

Staff: Joyce Ryan, Library Services Division Director

Guest: None

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- Merrie Hathaway asked to adjourn the meeting in Donna Fruedenberg's name.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A motion was made by Larry Oblea, and seconded by Sally Gaitan, to approve the Minutes of October 9, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
5. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – Tabled until Council Liaison appointment.
6. HERITAGE ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORT
Sally Gaitan reported on the following:
 - Measure Y was passed during the last elections. Funds won't be available until April 2019.
 - The painting of the Library's electrical art box has been completed and is visible on the corner of Telegraph Rd. and Alburdis St.
 - A proposal from Habitat for Humanity has been put forward to build housing for homeless veterans.
 - The city will begin repaving streets again which may cause street closures.
 - Whittier Union School District voted to split their jurisdiction during the past election. Those interested in more information may visit their website (www.wuhdsd.org) to see what jurisdiction they now belong to.
 - The rusted art sculpture in the Clarke Estate pool has been removed and is now in storage. Because of the damage, the City will have to see if it can be repaired.
 - The committee has begun discussion of Heritage Park improvements. Recently, improvements were made to the aviary and the ki.

- The Library has begun a Docent program for school tours in Heritage Park.
- Planning for the construction of the hotel is underway.
- This is the report for November's meeting. Sally will give a report for the December's Heritage Arts Advisory Committee for the next meeting.

Larry Oblea added the following to the report:

- Margaret Hammon has been hired as a consultant for repairs to the Boxcar Mural and the Snake Basket Fountain and de-accessioning the Harvest art piece.

7. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Joyce Ryan reported on the following:

- Historical Book Sales Update*** – FY 2018/2019 ending December 31, 2018. The current balance: \$1034.50. Ms. Ryan distributed the financial report to committee members. There were donations and sales during the major events in Heritage Park including the Lantern Tour and Dia de Los Muertos. There was discussion of possibly putting funds towards the production of the video project. Joyce Ryan will report back at the next meeting.
- Lantern Tour*** – The Lantern Tour at Heritage Park was successful despite poor weather, with approximately 300 people in attendance. The Historical Committee received approximately \$200 in donations.

8. DIVISION PROGRAM/PROJECT UPDATES

This year the Library was awarded the Student Success Initiative Grant. This grant allows for the Santa Fe Springs City Library to partner with a local school and distribute fine-free library cards to students. The Library will begin this program at Rancho Santa Gertrudes for a trial period before opening it up to other schools.

Last year, the Library received a Libraries Illuminated grant for \$28,000, which allowed the library to install new computers and a projector in the community room. Mrs. Ryan also mentioned that the Library reapplied for remaining funds and received \$5,000 to replace computers for the Literacy Program.

The library has a 501c3 for community programs that can be used to replace missing parts from exhibits. There is also an Amazon Smile account that can be used to raise funds for the 501c3. Amazon customers can choose to donate to the library with every purchase they make. Additional information is available on www.sfslibrary.org.

The Art Walk Launch will take place on March 16th, for those interested in attending.

The Library is working with a Digi Labs grant, which will allow for digitization of photographs including those that have been taken down from the windmill.

Updates have been made to the Carriage Barn layout. A sign was ordered to display information about the Model T. Research is being conducted on ordering additional souvenirs that can be sold within the Carriage Barn. New, taller pedestals will be ordered to replace the smaller ones on the second floor. The library is working on finding a solution for the objects not currently on display.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. ***Fundraising Ideas*** – Mrs. Ryan opened the floor for members to discuss different fundraising opportunities for the committee. Discussion ensued by the committee. One suggestion included a Wine and Paint Night, Canvas tote bags, water bottles and water bottle slings. Mrs. Ryan will look into creating a fuller proposal for the hosting of a Wine and Paint event and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. ***Printing of Additional Postcards**** - Mrs. Ryan gave members an overview of the different postcards that the Historical Committee could sell. Members considered different images that could be used to create new postcards. An assortment of pictures were presented and members voted on 4 final image choices for possible printing, including pictures of Little Lake School, the Hathaway Farmhouse and two intersection pictures of Norwalk and Telegraph.

11. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT – Larry Oblea gave an update on the video project. He opened the floor to discuss using funding on DVD audio files. He will bring it in for member viewing at the next meeting.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Tour of Carriage Barn
- b. DVD preview
- c. Children's Day
- d. Fundraising Opportunities

13. MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Merrie Hathaway also wanted to have our meeting adjourned in honor of Marie O'Connor.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Linda Vallejo adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m in honor of Donna Freudenberg, Marie O'Connor and Pedro Vallejo, long time volunteers.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Heritage Park Carriage Barn.



Joyce Ryan,
Executive Secretary to the Historical Committee/
Library Services Division Director