

MUSEUM BOARD MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

Board Members attending: Ron Peterson, Jay Kester, Keela Goudy, Mary Ann Stevenson, Kellie Robbins.

Others attending: Community Development Director Jason Bond, Museum Director Annette Bott, and Katie Davis.

Board member Goudy called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Pledge: Board Member Stevenson led the pledge.

Invocation: Board Member Peterson offered an invocation.

Minutes: Board member Robbins motioned to approve the minutes from July 20. Board Member Peterson seconded.

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Kester	Aye
Board Member Robbins	Aye
Board Member Goudy	Aye
Board Member Stevenson	Aye

The vote passed 5 to 0.

Celebration Report:

Director Bott stated that the Monday family night had a good turnout. The visitor count from Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday was 436 people. Board Member Robbins stated that she received positive feedback about the quality of the museum.

Monument Update:

Director Bott stated that Katie Davis emailed for bids on Monday, they are also looking for a donation of a large rock. Board member Goudy asked if the bronze plaque will be donated or if it will be a cost. Director Bott stated that it will probably be a cost, but volunteers have offered to donated money to the fund.

Board Member Kester suggested that he approach the monument company asking for a donation of a rejected piece of granite. Board Member Kester explained that the words could possibly be carved directly on the stone. Mr. Bond suggested that if can't be donated that

Board Member Kester get a bid. Director Bott stated that some money can be spent on the monument, but the

museum board doesn't have a large budget. Board member Robbins suggested getting a copy of the wording to Board Member Kester before he approaches the cemetery.

Chronicle Interview:

Director Bott stated that Denise from the Payson Chronicle approached her about writing an article about the museum. Director Bott expressed the desire to showcase the scrap books in the museum so the community can take advantage of the history that's available. The article was just released and overviewed the history of Donna and Florence. Director Bott expressed her hope that the article will promote interest in the scrapbooks as well as the museum. Board Member Robbins suggested adding a, 'did you know' about Santaquin history in the paper.

Proposed Changes for the Library, Senior Center, and Recreation Building:

Mr. Bond explained that the City Council is proposing a 6-million-dollar bond which will be on the ballot for residents to vote on. Mr. Bond stated that the cost to residents would be based on their appraised property values. The average appraised value in Santaquin City is \$222,100 meaning that the average cost per month would be \$10. The bond would be a progressive bond which means that the cost per month would be a little more or a little less depending on your particular appraised property value. However, the City plans to apply for grants and potentially receive philanthropic donations to help reduce the total amount to pay off for the bond. In addition, the City is growing and the cost would be spread out among any new residents that move into Santaquin City. This year, Santaquin is projected to have close to 200 new homes and that amount of new growth is expected to continue in the coming years. Finally, the City hopes to not need to spend all \$6 million dollars to do the project which would also reduce the cost per month amount for residents.

City Manager Ben Reeves has held 4 town hall meetings for residents to ask questions, give feedback and learn about the project. The original plan was to place the building behind the current library, residents didn't feel that the site was suitable. With that feedback the city is looking at the South West corner behind the museum as a possible location. No decisions have been made yet, and it will be going to ballot for a vote. The vote will be by mail in mid-October.

The City has elected CRSA Architecture firm, based on their experience, and cost efficiency. There are plans to hold a few more town hall meetings to educate residents before voting.

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Board Member Goudy asked how well the meetings have been attended. Mr. Bond stated that the first meeting was the most attended, but he doesn't have a count for each meeting. Mr.

Bond stated that the next meetings will show the results of the polls taken from the first four meetings, and a preliminary drawing of the building.

Board Member Peterson asked if the American Legion will have a room in this new building. Mr. Bond stated that there will be a room provided for the American Legion. The architect wants to take measurements of the current American Legion room to get an idea for the space needed. Board Member Peterson stated that the main need is to have a secure room with enough space.

Mr. Bond explained that some of the feedback received from the community is that they would like this to be a multi service building. Mr. Bond stated that at this point all of these plans are conceptual, nothing has been approved.

Board Member Goudy asked about the previous idea of using land near the old police station for this project. Mr. Bond stated that it hasn't developed further and doesn't look like a viable option currently.

Mr. Bond explained that the plan for the rec center is to take the old Public Works building and retrofit it to become a rec center. It won't be a long term solution, but will provide space for recreation. In this building the restrooms will be accessible from the inside and outside for use during the Rodeo, as well as ticket booths. That project is moving forward and the goal is to have it completed before Orchard Days 2018.

Board Member Goudy asked how the utility bill be will reduced when the new buildings are built. Mr. Bond stated that Mr. Reeves is working on getting an estimate.

Director Bott stated that if the old Council Chambers are taken away, the museum won't have a restroom to use in the winter. Mr. Bond stated that the current plan is to keep the museum the way it is with minor improvements made to maintain it.

Board Member Robbins asked how much the rec center will cost and what the square footage will be. Mr. Bond stated that he will look into the proposed budget.

Board Member Communication:

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Staff Reports: Board Member Goudy stated that the original Museum Board was sworn in, and asked if the new members will be sworn in. Mr. Bond stated that the City Recorder or a judge could come and do it, but it isn't mandatory.

Board Member Peterson asked if there is going to be space for the veterans from, Afghanistan, Iraq etc. in the military room. Director Bott stated that the South wall has room for a new

veterans display. Board Member Peterson stated that he believes the same type of display should be continued for the new Veterans display.

Mr. Bond suggested that the board discuss meeting availability for the upcoming holiday season. The regular meeting schedule is the third Thursday of each month. Board member Goudy asked if it could be held on another Thursday in the month. Mr. Bond stated that if

another meeting is needed one can be arranged. Director Bott stated that she doesn't believe a December meeting should be held. Board member Goudy stated that the third Thursday in November is the 16th. The council agreed that that date would work for most of them.

Board Member Communication:

Board member Peterson motioned to adjourn. Board Member Robbins seconded.

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Kester	Aye
Board Member Robbins	Aye
Board Member Goudy	Aye
Board Member Stevenson	Aye

The vote passed 5 to 0.

Jenny Fernelius, Museum Board Chair