

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Heritage Conservancy Board of the Town of Clarkdale, Held on July 20, 2005 at 5:15 p.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, Clarkdale, Arizona.

A Regular meeting of the Heritage Conservancy Board of the Town of Clarkdale was held on July 20, 2005 at 5:15 p.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, 39 North ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

Board Members:

Chairperson Drake Meinke
Vice Chairperson Jerry Wombacher
Linda McDonough
Jesus Valdez
Vacancy

Staff: Administrative Assistant Charlotte Hawken

Others in attendance: Larry Blair.

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Meinke called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and noted that all members were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

REPORTS – None

ARCHIVAL STORAGE, SHELVING AND ACCESSIONING – **Consideration of the archival storage, shelving and accessioning.** Boardmember McDonough noted that the journal shelving has been ordered but has not yet arrived. Chairperson Meinke stated he had purchased half of the wire shelving at Sam's Club and would be looking for the rest of it at Costco.

HISTORICAL ISSUES EDUCATION – **Consideration of providing information regarding historical issues.** Chairperson Meinke submitted a draft letter to the members, as follows:

Recently I was appointed as Chairperson of the Clarkdale Heritage Conservancy Board. I would like for all to know of my positive acceptance of this appointment and my willingness to carry out the chairperson's responsibilities and duties. Also appointed was Jerry Wombacher, as Vice-Chairperson. During our tenure, we will provide the best possible guidance and solutions to the numerous historical concerns for the Town of Clarkdale, its residents and the surrounding communities that have a history associated with Clarkdale. Of concern to the Heritage Board is the loss or movement of historical property belonging to the Town of Clarkdale. This has been a concern in the past as well as today. In the future, all of the members of the Heritage Board have

agreed to be available for guidance and recommendations of what to do with Clarkdale's property should the need arise. This would include correct storage techniques, cataloging or documenting of historically related items. We would like to be notified and present if the town would conduct an auction, sale disposal or movement of Town Attorney Young town property in the future.

When concerned with restoration we have a large collection of books and pamphlets available to assist contractors or maintenance persons in any way. If looking for old hardware, lamps, parts and etc., please refer o some of these publications for purchasing of historical duplicates meeting the town's requirements. We also can have many items repaired if they are irreplaceable through businesses that specialize in the restoration of historical items.

In the future, the members of the Clarkdale Heritage Conservancy board will be robust is assisting and providing constructive knowledge to preserve the history of the Town of Clarkdale in every way.

Boardmember McDonough moved for Chairperson Meinke submit the letter to Town Manager Mabery with slight corrections. Vice-Chairperson Wombacher seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

HISTORIC MARKER SIGNS AND PLAQUES – **Consideration of historic marker signs and plaques and National Register of Historic Places.**

Boardmember McDonough reported that Lisa O'Neill wrote an article for The Rail, the Verde Canyon Railroad newsletter about the historic district. Boardmember McDonough stated she would use this article as a basis for the wording for a plaque on the district. The Board members discussed an overlay showing which houses are included.

HISTORIC RAILROAD BED – **Consideration of a recommendation regarding the historic railroad bed located within the Cliffrose development.** The Board members agreed to meet Wednesday, July 27 at 5:15 to walk the area where the best preserved remains of the railroad bed are located and to write a summary of it to submit to Community Development before the Planning Commission considers the Cliffrose preliminary plat.

LADIES LOUNGE – Consideration of requesting that the Ladies Lounge be returned to its historic appearance and not be used for meetings that require that it be rearranged. No action was taken.

TOURISM GRANT – Consideration of selecting a project and applying for a tourism grant. Ideas for the grant application included the following:

1. Plaques with historic information on downtown buildings.
2. Adding photo case and brochure to smelter monument.
3. Improving the area around the smelter monument and museum, including parking and an outside seating area.
4. Archive and research area, building and equipment needs.
5. Develop jail tour area.
6. Restore Reading Room and Ladies Lounge and add historical displays about the clubhouse for tours.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –

Grant application.

ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, and without objection, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Drake Meinke, Chairperson

SUBMITTED:

Charlotte Hawken, Administrative Assistant