

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Heritage Conservancy Board of the Town of Clarkdale,  
Held on May 17, 2006 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 May 17, 2006 at 5:15 p.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, 39 North Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

**Board Members:**

Chairperson Drake Meinke  
Vice Chairperson Gerald Wombacher  
Linda McDonough (absent)  
Jesus Valdez  
Larry Blair (arrived 5:30)

**Staff:** Administrative Assistant Charlotte Hawken

**Others in attendance:** None.

**AGENDA ITEM: CALL TO ORDER -**

Chairperson Meinke called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m. and noted that Boardmembers Blair and McDonough were absent.

**AGENDA ITEM: PUBLIC COMMENT -** None.

**AGENDA ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES - Consideration of approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 5, 2006. Vice Chairperson Wombacher moved to approve the minutes. Boardmember Valdez seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

**AGENDA ITEM: REPORTS -**

None

**AGENDA ITEM: ARCHIVAL STORAGE, SHELVING AND ACCESSIONING - Consideration of the archival storage, shelving and accessioning.**

Boardmember Valdez stated he gave the brass light fixtures to Public Works to be installed. He stated he has been working on the window frames and found that water based paint had been put on top of oil based paint. He is scraping off the water based paint to get a good surface to repaint.

Chairperson Meinke stated he installed some metal-bar gratings on the upstairs windows and knows where to get the mechanism to be able to open gratings downstairs.

**AGENDA ITEM: BUDGET PLANNING FOR 2005-2006 - Consideration of projects for the 2005-2006 budget funds.**

Administrative Assistant Hawken stated that the following items had been purchased for a total of \$2009.26:

1. A computer and monitor and software for \$1151.26
2. Past Perfect collection management software for \$643.00
3. American Association for State and Local History membership for \$100.00
4. National Trust for Historic Preservation membership for \$115.00

She will coordinate with Boardmember McDonough and Town Clerk Driscoll to purchase the previously approved digital camera and combination printer/scanner/fax/copier. The Board agreed that if there are any Heritage town funds remaining to order a fire proof filing cabinet.

The Board discussed the need for work surfaces in the archive and felt they could be arranged without a purchase at this time.

**AGENDA ITEM: HISTORIC DISTRICT STREET SIGNS - Consideration of historic district street signs.**

Chairperson Meinke stated he contacted a state office about funding street signs and was told the state does not fund them. Pima County participated in the funding of the Ajo signs, which are the example the board members are using. He understands they would be aluminum with a plastic overlay. He stated he will look into the cost and number of signs needed to cover all of the streets in the historic district and will write a rough draft for a grant application.

Board members will research the appropriate wording on the signs. Ajo uses the words "Ajo Townsite".

The Board discussed additional items that might be included in the project, including Historic District directional street signs at the Eleventh Street and Highway 89A intersection, reprinting the Tour Historic

Clarkdale brochure, and a plaque in the park with a historic district map and information on it.

Administrative Assistant Hawken stated she would check with Town Clerk Driscoll about what was needed to present the project to the Town Council.

**AGENDA ITEM: HISTORIC PROJECT –  
Consideration of the historic plane crash.**

Boardmember Valdez stated that he received original photographs of the May 15, 1932 plane crash that killed William A. Clark, III. He met with Bob Beltz to get information about the location. Mr. Beltz had previously looked into the crash with Ed and Dee King and Dorothy Benatz. Boardmember Valdez stated he plans to go out and locate the terrain shown in the photographs in order to pinpoint the crash site, which he thinks is on national forest land in Section 13.

Both Boardmember Valdez and Boardmember Blair stated they searched the internet for information but did not find anything specific, except a site to request information on plane crashes.

**AGENDA ITEM: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –**

Historic district street signs project.

Historic plane crash.

Report on the historic survey of the railroad track where the effluent line is being installed.

**AGENDA ITEM: ADJOURNMENT** – With no further business, and without objection, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Drake Meinke, Chairperson

**SUBMITTED:**

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Charlotte Hawken, Administrative Assistant