

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Heritage Conservancy Board of the Town of Clarkdale, Held on December 12, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, Clarkdale, Arizona.**

A Special meeting of the Heritage Conservancy Board of the Town of Clarkdale was held on December 12, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, 39 North Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

**Board Members:**

Chairperson Drake Meinke  
Vice Chairperson Gerald Wombacher (absent)  
Linda McDonough  
Jesus Valdez (absent)  
Maria Tester

**Staff:** Admin. Assistant Charlotte Hawken  
Town Clerk Kathy Bainbridge

**Others in attendance:** No one.

**AGENDA ITEM - CALL TO ORDER** – Chairperson Meinke called the meeting to order at 4:14 p.m. and noted that the Vice Chair Wombacher and Boardmember Valdez were absent.

**AGENDA ITEM-PUBLIC COMMENT**– None.

**AGENDA ITEM - CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES** – Consideration of approving the minutes of the regular meeting October 17 and November 21, 2007.

Boardmember McDonough moved to approve the minutes as written. Boardmember Tester seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM - REPORTS:**

*Town Clerk Bainbridge* stated that she was concerned with the Reading Room being open during the New Years Eve Party being planned by the Parks and Recreation Commission. She then left the meeting.

*Chair Meinke* stated that the Council had approved by resolution for the Board to apply for the Preserve America Designation. This designation qualifies the town to apply for Preserve America grants.

He stated that the Town Council had also approved writing a letter of recommendation for the Clarkdale Heritage Center application for legacy status with the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission. The Center is proposing a Copper State Monument in Clarkdale as an Arizona Centennial 2012 Legacy Project.

He also stated that he had written two letters of recommendation for the Jerome Historical Society.

*Administrative Assistant Hawken* noted that the Public Works Department had received a bench donated by the Jerome and Mingus High School Reunion Committee, to be placed near the museum/archive building. It will be placed between the building and the Smelter Monument and Public Works Director Burroughs will draw a plan for that area that includes the bench. The plan may need to go to the Design Review Board.

**AGENDA ITEM: ARIZONA OFFICE OF TOURISM GRANT** – Report on the Arizona Office of Tourism grant application.

Chairperson Meinke reported that the joint Clarkdale Heritage Center and Town of Clarkdale grant application for historical signs, plaques and markers was approved for \$33,800 by the Arizona Office of Tourism. He stated that he intends to present options for the project for the Board’s consideration at their next meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM: ARCHIVE** – Discussion and consideration of the Town of Clarkdale Archive.

Chairperson Meinke stated he knows someone who could strip and paint the northwest room and hallway floors of the Archive. It was noted that he would have to be hired through Redi-Help.

Boardmember Tester moved to hire someone to strip and paint the northwest room and hallway of the Archive for an amount up to \$750.00, to be paid from the Conservancy’s town budget funds. Boardmember McDonough seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM: 1932 PLANE CRASH SITE** – Report on the status of the 1932 plane crash site.

This item was tabled to the next meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM: PULLEYS AND HOOKS** – Discussion and consideration of the possible acquisition of several pulleys and hooks.

Boardmember McDonough reported that she and Vice Chair Wombacher had looked at the site where it was found. Their research indicates it to be the location of the old Reservation Ranch, which was purchased by United Verde Copper Company. Her initial assessment is that there may have been a water tank for livestock in the area.

**AGENDA ITEM: MEETING DATE AND TIME** – Discussion and consideration of the meeting date and time.

The Board Members agreed the next meeting will be on January 16, 2009 at 4:00 p.m..

**AGENDA ITEM: CEMETERY PROJECT** – Discussion and consideration of the cemetery as a historical entity. This item was tabled to the next meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM: RESTORED FURNITURE** – Discussion and consideration of protecting the Clubhouse furniture.

Issues discussed included the following:

1. The Reading Room, where irreplaceable historic Clubhouse furnishings are stored, should be closed and locked during events.
2. The tops of the wooden tables that are being used should be protected with pads.
3. All historic items should be tagged as such.
4. That their intention is to eventually restore all of the historic Clubhouse furniture.

The Board agreed to recommend to town staff that the Reading Room be closed and locked during the upcoming New Year’s Eve Party.

**AGENDA ITEM: LANDMARK STATUS** – Discussion and consideration of Landmark Status.

This is a National Park Service status. Chairperson Meinke and Boardmember Tester will research what is needed to apply.

**AGENDA ITEM: GRANTS** – Discussion and consideration of applying for grants. This item was tabled to another meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM - FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Plane crash site report.
2. Cemetery as a historical entity.
3. AZ Office of Tourism grant project.
4. Archive furnishings.

**AGENDA ITEM - ADJOURNMENT** – With no further business, and without objection, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SUBMITTED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drake Meinke, Chairperson Charlotte Hawken, Administrative Assistant