

**Date:** February 4, 2013

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Museum

**Present:** Barefoot, Chamblee, Legeros

**Minutes Approval:**

- 1) January 7, 2013

**Budget Report:**

- 1) Fund balances
  - a. General fund (checking): \$1,984.46
  - b. Reserve funds (savings): \$ 3,693.72
  - c. Engine 1 funds (savings): \$ 420.65

**Fire Museum Business:**

- 1) Dates and Events
  - a. Regular schedule.
    - i. Saturday, February 9 – B platoon
      1. **Chamblee opening**
      2. **Tim Wall assisting**
    - ii. Saturday, March 9
      1. **Legeros opening**
      2. **Barefoot assisting**, if staffing available at Station 20
- 2) Other Business
  - a. Indoor signs
    - i. **Legeros creating replacements**, for artifact signs damaged at Fireman's Ball.
      1. Hopes to have finished before this Saturday's opening.
  - b. Outdoor signs
    - i. Sandwich board signs needed for parking lot.
    - ii. New banner for hanging, also?
      1. Legeros/Henshaw can re-visit, when they talk with Jack Rabbit Signs or other vendor for Engine 1 sign.
  - c. Shelves for rear space
    - i. **Walters project for future.**
      1. He's back in town at the end of February.
  - d. Keys for door in rear
    - i. **Legeros has copies.**
      1. See Legeros to get yours.
  - e. Promotional video.
    - i. Created by Legeros this weekend.
      1. Video is a bit rough, but maybe usefully so.
      2. Might inspire participation by someone who can help "do it better."

- ii. Posted to YouTube.
  - 1. **Legeros will craft an e-mail message this week, including the video link.**
  - 2. Ask the troops for ideas on getting people to the museum,
  - 3. Ask the troops to tell their friends about it.
  - 4. Ask Chief Ronny to send said note.
- iii. **Legeros will further promote via FB, his blog** this week.
- f. Visitors in 2012
  - i. See below report
- g. Promotional ideas
  - i. How to get more visitors?
    - 1. March museum opening could have book tie-in.
    - 2. History book may be delivered by then.
    - 3. Meet the author(s)? Come see the book?
    - 4. RFD will have a quantity to sell at Admin, could bring some down.

#### **Fire Apparatus Business:**

- 1) Old Engine 1
  - a. Donor signs
    - i. **Legeros will visit Station 28** this week, and measure some spaces around the engine, where a sign could go.
    - ii. Might look at preliminary/lower cost simple sign for now, with nicer/fancier at future date.
  - b. No other updates.
- 2) Station 28 Antiques
  - a. No updates.

#### **Membership Business:**

- 1) Membership renewals.
  - a. Chamblee sent another e-mail blast, to members with expired memberships.
- 2) Membership channels.
  - a. **Barefoot will revisit United Way**, as possible avenue for member contributions. He'll research what's needed.
  - b. **Barefoot will make inquires of city credit union**, to see if that's another avenue for member contributions.

#### **Other Things Being Worked On**

- 1) History Book
  - a. Updates
    - i. Book will be printed in another week or so.
    - ii. Delivery expected in March.
    - iii. Museum expected to receive some complimentary copies, both for its own use/library and for donating to other libraries and organizations.

**Other Old Business**

- 1) Board of Directors
  - a. **Legeros will do some research** on "what is a board of directors," so this can move forward.
- 2) Station 23 storage space
  - a. **Legeros** did some recent cleaning and organizing.
  - b. Furnishings still unfinished.
    - i. **Barefoot will inquire of Thomas Johnson** about finishing the furnishings.

**New Business**

- 1) Elections
  - a. Elections conducted.
    - i. Mike Legeros, President.
    - ii. Tim Henshaw, Vice President
    - iii. Jan Chamblee, Secretary/Treasurer
    - iv. Terms of two years.
- 2) Fire Museum Network membership.
  - a. **Legeros will handle annual renewal.**
- 3) Financial report for 2012
  - a. **Legeros is working on creating an overview of finances and activities from last year.**
- 4) Promotional opportunity
  - a. **Barefoot will talk with Chief Ronny** about a promotional opportunity.

**Museum Visitors in 2012**

Jan	23
Feb	14
Mar	13
Apr	63
May	26
Jun	8
Jul	35
Aug	30
Sep	8
Oct	24
Nov	22
Dec	0
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