

GOLDFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY (GHS)
Meeting Minutes
Thursday June, 26, 2018

1. **Call to Order:** by President, John Ekman at 7:02 pm.
2. **Attendance:** Richard and Edie Koepnick, Mike & Sharon Eidson, Ernest G., Sherry Huffman, Deborah Sharp, Drew Kelley, Allen Metscher, Bryan Smalley, John Ekman, Bill and Sandy Beltz, Chris Wagenseller, Tim Hipp.
3. **Minutes for May 7, 2018:** Copies supplied by Secretary, Edie Koepnick. Motion to approve by Drew Kelly and seconded by Bryan Smalley. Approved.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Compiled by Treasurer, Ruth Lee: **General Fund Beginning Balance:** \$14,647.83. **Deposits** \$408.52: for memberships and donations by check, cash and PayPal \$403.52; License Plate Frames \$5.00. **Expenses:** \$230.00: donations to building fund included on membership checks \$30.00; T&T Railroad rent \$200.00. General Fund Ending Balance: \$14,826.35. **Building Fund Beginning Balance: \$25,873.93. Deposits \$44,842.00: Grant reimbursement \$44,000.00; Donations by check and cash; \$842.00. Expenses: \$51,000.00 paid to Scott Zemp Masonry. Building fund Ending Balance: \$19,715.93.** Motion to approve after minor typo correction to cover page by Sherry Huffman and seconded by Mike Eidson. Approved. (Discussion regarding donations to Visitor's Center...to be reviewed and resolved by next meeting.)
5. **Volunteer Hours:** Richard Koepnick 2; Mike Eidson 4; Sharon Eidson 4; Ernest G. 2; Allen Metscher 22; Edie Koepnick 12; Bryan Smalley 10; John Ekman 12; Chris Wagenseller 2. Total Hours: 66
6. **Historic marker Committee:** 81 out. Alva Myers house and Turkish Bath approved but not set at this time.
7. **Membership Committee:** Memberships over 120.
8. **High School Restoration:** **a)** Once the \$80,000 grant award becomes available in November from Cultural Centers and Historic preservation, the design work will start for the east wall repair. **b)** The column for the west end of south wall was finally delivered but requires an adjustment before installation. **c)** Moving the 12 remaining stone lintels to Goldfield from Millers Station on hold until cooler temperatures. **d)** Four boxes of stair balusters are on the way. **e)** High School cleanup to be scheduled in July before Goldfield Days. **f)** The Tonopah Times Bonanza printed an excellent front page spread with photos in May featuring the restoration progress on the High school.
9. **Other Ongoing Restoration Projects in Goldfield:** **a)** The roofing project for The Elks Building (Burner Resource Group) continues; Lyric Theater (Bergman Family) masonry repair on hold; Lockhart House (Jon Aurich) interior repairs ongoing; Stanton House (Beltz) added an RV sun shade next to the house; Stone Brothel (Koepnick) reporting interior and exterior progress. **b)** Cellar wall repair of the Lind House (Ekman) underway. A question arose about the funding of these various projects. Our Society does not fund these projects. We only give advice (when asked) and provide moral support.
10. **Old Business:** **a)** Website updates are added on a regular basis. **b)** The Central Nevada Museum continues to do well. **c)** Considerable discussion regarding volunteers at the Visitors Center. There is a calendar available for scheduling. However, that does not always work for some volunteers so there are still issues to be dealt with. We hope to have answers and more clarity by next meeting. **d)** T&T Museum Display will remain at its current site. Dick Ruiz has worked out many of the engine problems and put up funds to make the display work. **Thank you, Dick!** Hopefully, donations by visitors will cover the cost of rent. However, the Society, by a show of hands is determined to do whatever it takes to keep the display in place. **e)** Goldfield Days: Poker Walk volunteers in place. Brenda Gleffe with Sandy Beltz as alternate. The society will sponsor a GPS White Elephant Event as well.
11. **New Business a)** Need to update Membership Form. Discussed eliminating or raising the price of Life Membership. To be decided next meeting. **b)** Although the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce is the body that deals with member businesses and economic issues for our town, the Society plans to increase Heritage Tourism which will, in turn, also help support economic development.
12. **Other News and Announcements:** **a)** Longtime member and supporter of GHS, Lina Sharp passed away. A great loss to our Society. **b)** Hoist House still serving dinners on Thursdays. **c)** In closing, President Ekman reiterated the major reason for Goldfield's demise: The San Francisco Earthquake which caused a domestic as well as an international economic downturn coupled with a crippling miners strike.
13. **Next meeting:** Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm
14. **Meeting Adjourned:** at 8:10 pm.