

**Minutes**  
**San Anselmo Historical Commission Meeting**  
**AUGUST 21, 2013**

Judy Coy convened the meeting of the members of the San Anselmo Historical Commission at 7:35 pm on August 21, 2013 in the Museum.

Members present: Carol Acquaviva, Liz Anderson, Julia Betchart, Judy Coy, Tom Hendricks, John Maher, Dick Miner, Andrea Pearce, Antone Sousa, Rick Storms, Wendy Sylvia, Joan Vermond

Welcome and Introductions: Welcome Julia Betchart as a new Youth Commissioner!

Agenda for the meeting was approved

Minutes from the meeting of June 19, 2013 were approved. (Hendricks/Storms).

Treasurer's Report: Joan reported the beginning balance was \$998.27. A deposit of \$1000.00 from Judy's Volunteer of the Year award leaves the balance in the Wells account at \$1998.27.

Oral History Project: Dick reported that he had completed four interviews in the last few weeks who were all great subjects

- 1) Frances Parks – former Drake High School teacher
- 2) Vickie Pedroli
- 3) Russ & Audre Labelle who live in Sleepy Hollow in the house that they built. They are 96 and 92 years old.
- 4) Maria Torresan who lives in Dick's neighborhood

Collections/Database Acquisition: Judy shared that she received a photograph of an early San Anselmo garbage collecting company

Downtown photo shoot: Completed. Liz will send hers to Judy.

Museum Schedule Discussion: Discussion regarding museum hours. Decision was made to stay open on Tuesdays 10-12 for now. Saturdays broken up into two shifts: 10-12:30 and 12:30-4. Judy will circulate a schedule and signup sheet.

General Topics:

- 1) The Town Public Works Department has submitted a grant application for funds for trail work at Sorich Park and possibly on Red Hill. Judy provided some historical information on the zig-zag road up the western face of Red Hill.
- 2) There is a plan to rebuild the Town Hall Tower roof, including owl houses
- 3) Judy has asked Patricia Swensen to look for the railroad cars which had been donated to the Museum for us in the diorama.

Country Fair Day: Coming up Sunday September 29<sup>th</sup>. Judy has submitted the application and will confirm the hours. Judy will confirm commissioner participation schedule at the September meeting. There are no plans to offer tours.

Historical Society Activities: Judy completed the newsletter and sent it out with the renewal envelope. Received \$1310 in renewals and \$470 in donations plus lots of nice comments!

Student Walking Tours: Judy reported that there are three classes from Hidden Valley (former Brookside Upper) scheduled for tours in November.

New Projects:

- 1) Transcription Project – Several of the oral histories will be transcribed using the money received from Judy's award. Verbalink is the company that has been recommend. Rates are around \$105 per recorded hour.
- 2) Hallway Displays – some ideas include showcasing new acquisitions, a radio collection, and then coming up soon a Santa theme
- 3) Ideas for Julia – Discussion about what case might be available at Drake for Julia to set up a display and she is checking into it. Also discussed what topics might be engaging for high school students, still a work in progress.
- 4) Judy would like to tap into Carol's expertise in regards to preservation supplies (storage boxes, etc.).

Adjournment to September 18, 2013

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm  
Liz Anderson - Secretary