

**FICRA BUILDING TRUST
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES (5-14 draft)
May 12, 2016**

Board Attendees: Jim Braden, Tony Moore, Ray Kittelberger, and Mimi Miller. Gina Olson excused.

Meeting opened by Tony Moore at 7:10 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The April 14, 2016 meeting minutes have been posted on-line, and were unanimously approved. The Board passed a motion to approve the \$700 - \$1,100 expenditure for the investigatory work on the southeast corner of the NCC by Tim Wilson.

President's report: Tony had no items. Jim asked the Board members to consider the purchase of the five benches that had been donated to the Plant Sale. Motion (Jim/Mimi) passed to buy the benches for \$300. (See the FICRA minutes for the Trust becoming the beneficiary of the Plant Sale resulting in out-of-pocket cost to the Trust of \$100 to each of the garden clubs.)

Consent Calendar: Motion (Jim/Ray) passed to approve a Capital Project item of \$500 for the installation of the Emergency Prep antenna as a part of the Emergency Preparation Capital Program.

Treasurers Report: Mimi Miller

Trust Capital Checking:

April 30 Balance: **\$4,409.02**

Trust Reserve Checking:

April 30 Balance: **\$10,750.00**

Trust Checking account:

April 30 Balance **\$36,161.37**

Money Market:

April 30 Balance: **\$1,911.28**

Trust PayPal:

April 30 Balance **\$353.21**

Trust Savings:

April 30 Balance **\$68.57**

The Finance Committee was reconstituted with the new members being: Mimi (chair), Joan, Hal, and Jim. Jim recommends that the Finance Committee study the competing projects and recommend timing for these: Membership, FICRA donations, Trust donations, Crimewatch, Emergency Preparedness, Trust Capital Projects like Buy a Brick, and so on.

Committee Reports:

Crime Watch: Stan Weston reports that house checks are going well and donations by recipients are above the costs to perform the checks. April was a good month with minor incidents. The statistical summary will be posted on ficra.org.

Emergency Planning: Ray K reports. In June there is a State Wide emergency drill in connection with Pierce County. The emphasis is on communication. The Fox Island Emergency Planning Team is working to get Ham Radio and Citizen Patrol communications working with the state.

3. Building Committee: For Jean Peterson, Jim reported that we will not be pursuing the County Historic Preservation Grant. The timing and requirements are too tight and we do not have the personnel to work on that, now.

Nature Center: Ed Burrough Chairman reported that things continue to go well! Neve Norton will conduct a low tide beach walk on July 2. The Nature Center committee is working on the new brochure and hope to have it available at the Nature Center, soon.

Special Committees:

Audit Committee: The Audit Committee has met and is working on having the report out ready at our June Board meeting.

Nominating Committee: Jim suggested we pick a Nominating Committee. This was held for consideration at a future time.

Unfinished Business:

Planning Calendar: Nothing new at this time.

Sport Field Development: Bob Bowser continues to lead committee and recommends a survey to help guide what we plan to do for the field so we have a plan to begin estimating the cost. Bob will develop a draft survey form. The Buy a Brick Fund is still

open. There has been \$4200 raised so far. This is a long-term effort and Jim feels that there needs to be a plan of action and more advertisement.

FICRA FAIR: The Fair needs to carefully consider whether or not to extend the hours from last year. There is some push-back from our partner organizations (Chapel and FIYC) saying that they are pretty much exhausted at the end of our old schedule.

Flea Market: Hal is working with Gabrielle on using the north classroom during the FICRA Fair as a test case for conducting a flea market in the future.

Intern Program: Jim reported that he has finally heard back from UW Tacoma on the intern program and is meeting with a representative on May 26th.

Next meeting is on June 9, 2016

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Prepared by Jim Braden for Secretary Kittelberger