

SILVER CITY MUSEUM TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Held at Silver City Museum Annex – 4:30 P.M.

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Present: Ronald Phair, Pauline Gomez, Bobbie Neal-Little, Billie Turrieta, Jaime Embick, Phillip Parotti and Judy Billings

Also Present: Museum Collections Manger Courtney Ewert, Silver City Councilor Cynthia Bettison

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:35 P.M. by Board President, Ronald Phair.

Public Input: None from the public. Ron took an opportunity to introduce new board member, Phillip Parotti and have him tell us a little bit about himself.

Minutes of July 27, 2017 Meeting: The minutes were accepted as written by voice approval.

Museum Society Board Report: Report was provided by Bobbie Neal-Little for Museum Society. On September 23rd 2 Museum Society Board Members resigned. The Society is seeking new members as well as continuing with their fund-raising activities.

Director's Report: The Director's report was given by Courtney Ewert at the direction of Museum Director Carmen Vendelin who could be in attendance. Carmen had sent a written report with Courtney which addressed such issues as 3rd Quarter 2017 Museum Visitation, Facilities updates, CAP assessors visit in October, programs, exhibitions and staff hiring.

Collections Manager Report: Courtney gave us a report on the collections and work that is ongoing regarding such.

Committee Reports:

Exhibits: There were several questions asked by board members regarding future exhibits and why collection items were not being used as much in exhibit planning. Councilor Bettison explained how intense and critical the upcoming Accreditation will be and how that will take precedence over anything else.

Collections: Judy Billings asked to change her committee assignment to Collections from Exhibits.

Unfinished Business:

- A quick report on the Museum Sign that is on the corner of Broadway and Bullard was given by Bobbie Neal-Little. The sign is place, has already been vandalized and hopefully will be back up soon.

New Business:

- Regarding Ron's suggestion that the Board commit to conform to the NM Open Meeting Act, we were educated by Councilor Bettison on how that as we are a municipal board we are required to conform to the Act. Ron the passed out a paper with a internet link to the NM Open Meeting Act 2015, so that Board members could read the information contained therein.
- Ron Phair announced that the next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. in the Museum Annex. Several Board members stated that they would not be able to attend this meeting. It was decided that the next Board meeting would be held on Thursday February 1st at 4:30 p.m. at the Museum Annex.
- With no further business Pauline Gomez moved to adjourn the meeting. Phillip Parotti seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Judy Billings, Secretary