

The Inverness Association and Inverness Foundation

October 26, 2016

Meeting called to order -- 7:05 pm

Board members present: Kathy Hartzell, Seana Quinn, Joyce Arndt, Catherine Caufield, Robert Johnson, Sarah Myers, Tom Branan, Francine Allen

Absent: Alex Porrata, Marshall Livingston

Approval of September Meeting Minutes : Approved as amended:

ACTION: Amended minutes to be sent out to all board members

Public Comment:

•Representing St. Columba's Church to talk about plans for future community engagement, Susan Rangitsch presented background information as to status of church which now has "mission" status and is under directorship of Archbishop Marc Andrus who has asked how the facility could better serve the community. The retreat house is "life blood" of the facility. Currently, various visiting priests lead Sunday services. Parts of the facility could be available on weekdays for classes, meetings, community potlucks, etc. Board can call Susan or George for a tour @ 415 663 1039. Currently, people can rent a room there for \$50/night per person. 32 twin beds are available.

Election of Officers: Kathy explained that the election of her as president in January threw the election calendar off. Additionally, we never elected a Vice President after the new year started and Bridger's term was up. Catherine has agreed to serve as VP but indicated that this does not mean that she is prepared to take on the presidency when Kathy steps down.: Kathy is willing to continue to serve as President for this year. Robert moves that the Board accept these officers and conditions; Catherine seconds. Unanimous.

Inverness Association

1. **Design Review** – Catherine sent Letter to County re: Moonrise Kingdom. Design Review – Catherine sent Letter to County re: Moonrise Kingdom. Nothing has happened so far. Opposition to or support of this project can be expressed by people writing letters directly to the County. Two other projects have been put forward to the County which are small raise no planning issues and so we didn't comment.
Sarah would like the IA to create a way of approaching affordable housing and limiting vacation rentals. Sarah will become our liason with CLAM and other organizations dealing with affordable housing issue to keep the Board informed on these issues
2. **IA Fair** – final financial report – Elizabeth/Joyce. Budget reconciled.
3. Elizabeth reported on the tourism confab held by the Point Reyes Village Association in September – describing it as an emotional base outpouring. Different points of views were expressed: People living close to downtown are most upset. Specific issues: Bathrooms need to be addressed; trash containers need redesigning to increase recycling. An expression of the desire by those present to continue meetings between Tomales Bay's different communities.
4. Upcoming CLAM meeting – Marshall and Kathy will attend. County will do competitive public bidding for Coastal Housing. IA will participate in CLAM meeting

about how the County might conduct its community input meeting. Questa is doing a study on a small sewer system for the 32 units of Coast Guard Housing.

5. Meeting adjourned 8:10

6. **Inverness Foundation –**

1. **JMMuseum:** Tom Branen described plans for the Gables December 4th celebration. Announced Dewey has a funding angel who will match any funds he raises. Modernizing archives ½ way done. Metal racks on rollers incl. 60 years of newspapers. 2 museum cabinets ordered and fireproof safe will be arranged. JMM library will be on shelves. Everything will be much more accessible and better arranged. ACTION: Francine and Tom will meet for FOG to collaborate on celebration
2. **Buildings, Trails and Grounds –** Marshall is out of the country, so no trails or maintenance report
3. **Membership –** Catherine sent out an email reminder this week to members who have not yet paid this year's dues. A Bagpiper will be sent out which should bring in more people.
4. **Use of Facilities:** Update from Martha Howard revealed that there are limitations on the uses of Plant Park; rental for gatherings/weddings is not allowed. Copy of the agreement at time of donation will be put in the binder Kathy is preparing on our properties
5. **Budget Report –** will be receiving Fire tax refund because the state has been collecting on tennis club property which doesn't have a residence. The IF will be receiving \$500.
6. **Newsletter –** The next Bagpiper was discussed which will be put out by the end of the year. Elizabeth announced its focus: Disaster Preparedness in Inverness. A brief description of Tomales Bay Watershed Council's State of the Bay Conference (Francine) Design Review Process brief summary (Catherine) JMM and Gables celebration (Tom). Elizabeth agrees that Kathy will read the Bagpiper before it is printed.
7. **Fire Conditions –** report postponed; information is yet to be gathered
8. **November Meeting –** Next Board meeting will be postponed until November 30th. December Board meeting is cancelled. Francine moves the meeting be adjourned/ Joyce seconds. Unanimous.

IF Adjourns: 8:55 pm