

MINUTES FROM THE IA/IF MEETING 3/25/15

Present – Nick, Elizabeth, Jim, Martha, Marshall, Jack, Joyce, Francine

Because the minutes from February meeting were reported unretrievable on the secretary's computer, the motion was put forth and passed that we would accept the minutes as lost.

Discussion: the JMM committee letter to IA:

Present from the JMM committee – Dewey Livingston and Tom Brannan

Marshall asked that the legal status be determined as well as the financial status of the JMM committee to precisely establish its legal and financial relationship to the IA/IF

Tom reported the JMM currently has its own bank acct. and its funds do not go through, and are not accessible to the Inverness Foundation

It was generally agreed upon by the IA/IF board members present that the IF is experiencing a sense of remoteness from JMM

Tom – JMM came forward with \$5100 for repairs – it is responsive to the IF's needs

Nick – his determination is that the IF not clearly responsible for the exterior of Bailey Cottage according to an earlier agreement presented by JMM committee.

Dewey: suggested that a difference is defined between maintenance from improvement

Tom: who introduced his own professional background interpreting and writing California State legislation, stated Resolution 93-1 clearly establishes the IF is responsible for exterior of Bailey Cottage.

A motion to create a IF/JMM task force of two people from the IF and two from the JMM committee to sort out these matters and bring back to the IA/IF an evaluation and policy re: the JMM letter was passed. Elizabeth & Martha will be the IA board members on task force.

Nick suggests we contact Martha and Elizabeth with concerns and ideas in response to the JMM Proposal letter as to what board members see as needs to be brought forth in committee meeting(s)

Further JMM Business:

Dewey: Announces he is about to write a history of Pt. Reyes Peninsula – Tomales Bay. JMM will be publisher of record, front the publishing costs, and receive some portion of profits. Dewey asks for IF to be the non-profit foundation umbrella that could receive donations. He will be soliciting financial backing from Kickstarter as well as through local fundraising efforts

Marshall points out that the JMM is already a committee of IF

Nick asks what would be the IF's additional tasks? Accounting?

Marshall -- JMM is only entity under IF with own checking acct. We need to clarify with ourselves how to do this.

We will get a formal proposal from Dewey describing his project.

Library lease with County:

Marshall describes the way he sees the controversy re: the Common Space – areas that library have access to but not exclusive use.; we have access to library space whenever the library isn't open.

Terms he negotiated include: 1) increased early termination notice; the museum space to be used for any purpose IF wants when library is closed; rent increases 3%/yr. 4) ADA funds of \$113,000 will be released within 30 days after signing lease.

Marshall explained the process ahead: the lease needs to be consented to by Board of Supervisors.

A motion was approved to sign library lease. Nick signs the first of 4 copies. The signed lease will be submitted to the County by Marshall on 3/26/15

Membership report –

Jim reported the IA currently has 264 members

Francine talks about membership drive at Saltwater

Francine offers to put up flyers and invite Nancy Hemingway. Dewey volunteers to talk about JMM at the event. The IA brochure will be handed out with map of trails. Martha volunteers to help at door.

Website Report --

Martha passes out history and definition IA so that the web can go live. A long general discussion about differences between IA & IF follows.

Elizabeth volunteers to edit the description that was to be on the website and email it around for comments.

When this is finalized, she will send it to Martha so that website can go live.

Grounds and maintenance:

Jim proposes there be a monthly checklist created and maintenance inspection by a paid professional who will be the contact/point person for any problems that arise in the building. Terry Javetts has been asked by Jim to be on the IA board so he would no longer be our hired maintenance person. He could help to create the check list.

Jim reported there are issues arising sculptures in Plant Park which should have been switched out or removed by now as part of the agreement reached with the arts organization the IA and IGC. Linda Luftig is the point person for this project in the Garden Club. Francine will check into it.

Jim describes trees that need to be trimmed in Plant Park. Nick will assess the situation and take care of it.

Question raised by Jack: is the Center median foliage too high? Is the height limit 2' or 3' high? He points out it poses a danger if allowed to grow too high because cars cannot see children crossing the street. Martha will check into limits.

Boathouse committee:

The proposed letter to Boathouse owners is read aloud by Marshall for Board to discuss.

(The letter will be inserted here when I receive it from Marshall)

He and Nick describe their efforts as an attempt of the IA to get out of way of zoning and role of enforcement. The plan is: 1) for the IA board members to come to an agreement re: the content of the letter to the boathouse owners; 2) accept it as a board; 3) notify the membership 30 days before the annual meeting of the position stated in this letter.

Madeline Hope, representative of the Boathouse owners who is present, responds that she would still would like to go through a mediation process with Mary Morgan and IA Boathouse committee as a means of reconciliation and further clarification of their relationship. Her request is neither agreed to nor rejected by the members of the Boathouse committee.

Nick asks the Board to move to approve or reject the letter. A motion passes to accept the language of the letter and send it to the Boathouse owners. The mediated position agreed upon by both Boathouse owners and board will be brought to the annual meeting July 11, 2015 and will be voted upon by the membership.

Meeting adjourned

IF Meeting called to order.

Acceptance of lost Minutes; approval waived. Motion carried

Nick announces he will be stepping down from the board. Need new board members. Members asked to find people who will serve.

Mike Durrie has suggested Frank Truttman to be hired as accountant. Motion placed and carried. We will explore idea of hiring Frank to do job of treasurer, expanding his job from simply being a bookkeeper.

Inverness Fair:

Elizabeth announces Kevin Luny will not donate trailer this year and that she is still looking for “younger people” to take over the fair.

Bagpiper

Elizabeth states she will be putting out an issue soon.

Motion to adjourn passed