AUBURN'S HISTORIC & CULTURAL SITES COMMISSION

Meeting minutes from May 8, 2013 at Theater Mack

Present: M. Alberici, J. Camardo, E. McHugh, S. Muldoon, C. Reilley, D. Stankus **Excused:** P. Carter, B. Chabot, L. Frank, A. Fuller, D. Lamb, K. Walker, M. Vanek

Absent: J. Loperfido **Guests:** John Alberici

Approval of the Minutes

D. Stankus read the Commission's mission and vision statements. E. McHugh made a motion to accept the 3/13/13 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by D. Stankus. **All were in favor and the motion carried**.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report

B. Murdoch reported on expenses since 3/13/13. C. Reilley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by E. McHugh. **All were in favor and the motion carried**.

Site Directors - No report

Marketing Committee

B. Murdoch stated inquiries were beginning to come in from major magazines. She is moving forward with the TripAdvisor initiative (June) and the WRVO summer destination program.

Community Outreach

A. Fuller submitted a report stating that the final class visits pertaining to the Passport to History Program would be the week of 5/8/13. The classes with the highest participation would be granted a pizza party and individual prizes would be drawn as well. A. Fuller said that the restaurants were very generous in donating some of the pizza.

Unfinished Business

M. Alberici stated that most of the information for the Podcast Program has been received. Fort Hill Cemetery has reviewed the material. She is in the process of identifying an individual who can work with Cristof Chabot to help bring the project to completion.

New Business

J. Alberici, Executive Director of Champions for Life, spoke about their management of Everest Park, a beautiful 160-acre private park nestled in the quiet farm country of the Finger Lakes. Everest Park will soon open the Brian Bisgrove Home of Courage on their site. Families dealing with life-threatening illnesses are invited to utilize the home as a family outing/vacation. M. Alberici made a motion that we provide the Everest House with our brochures and any other pertinent information that families might enjoy, and that any admission fees are waived for the families. The motion was seconded by C. Reilley. All were in favor and the motion carried.

J. Camardo, Auburn City Councilman, updated the Commission Members on the status of this year's budget process. B. Murdoch will prepare and submit details on the current year's budget, and the next fiscal year's proposed budget. Once the new budget is approved, J. Camardo will inform us the results.

Announcements

Commission members shared event information at their sites.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m. by D. Stankus. The motion was seconded by S. Muldoon. The next Commission meeting will be held on 7/10/13 at the Historian's Office, 10 Court Street.

Recorded by Barbara Murdoch