

SACG Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2019
Shellsburg Public Library
Meeting Room 6:00 PM

1. Welcome - Jean Fish welcomed 13 present.
2. Secretary Report - Minor changes requested to the March minutes by Nancy Thorkildson and Marlys Harms. All ayes to accept the minutes as adjusted.
3. Treasurer Report - Jay Herman reported Regular Checking balance of \$15,079.46 and Savings/Memorial balances of \$3,769.04 totalling \$18,848.50 at PSB. Three paid dues/donation of \$210 income, and \$10 expenses. Jay Herman spoke with the individual that damaged the Prairie Trail last year. He said he'd make an additional payment toward his restitution to SACG. Wilda Solberg and Ed Shaeffer made motions to accept the report. All ayes.
4. Old Business
 - a. Membership Dues - We currently have 30 paid members.
 - b. Benton County Foundation Grant- Trail Bridge Update -Nancy Thorkildson reported SACG committed \$1,300 toward the project.
 - c. Memorial Park Trail - Mayor Lonnie is working through the easement situation. We need to maintain rock and erosion, especially difficult due to it being railroad property. Meri Mott volunteered to get bids for limestone and she will bring bids to our next SACG meeting.
 - d. Big Day- Lions Event - SACG will provide a Bouncy House & Slide. Nancy Thorkildson made a motion to spend up to \$1000 for items. Marlys Harms seconded. All ayes.
 - e. Trees Forever Grant Update - Nancy Thorkildson hasn't heard anything as of this meeting.
 - f. Community Catalyst Grant - Nancy Thorkildson announced the City of Shellsburg has been awarded \$100,000 grant money. It will be used to restore the old bank building. SACG will provide \$2,000 in funds toward a project the funds will be used for.
5. Committees
 - a. Golf Outing- Tickets were passed out in increments of 24. Nancy Thorkildson asked for an additional \$330 from SACG to order some promotional items for the golf outing. Ed Shaeffer made a motion to give \$350 additional funds toward gift bags and promo items. Lois Flannery seconded. All ayes.
 - b. Economic Development - Jean Fish gave a review of the report from Monkey This!. This committee is still pursuing developers/builders to create a new development to meet current and future housing needs.
 - c. Easter Egg Committee - Jean Fish reported a great turn out. Lots of kids showed up. Jean Fish, Kelsey Fish and Meri Mott filled and placed eggs in the park for the Easter Egg Hunt. Thank you to Annette Merchant & the ladies at Wells Fargo, and Judy Shaeffer of Divine Decadents.
 - i. Bunny Suit - Meri Mott reported we have 2,000 new eggs. Meri asked for reimbursement of \$25 for some bins she purchased to store the eggs. Nancy Thorkildson motioned to accept Meri's request and Lois Flannery seconded. All ayes.
 - d. Horticulture - Rhonda Speckner and Wilda Solberg are joining the committee. A request was made for \$350 for fertilizer, plants and soil to begin dressing up the town. Marlys Harms made a motion to accept the request and Sue Herman seconded. All ayes.
 - e. Family Fun Night - Jean reported the first planning meeting of April 18th.
6. New Business
 - a. Clean Up Park Date - April 28th at 2:00 PM
 - b. Concession Stand Help - Request by Alicia Blattler and Rhonda Bridgewater have sought help from SACG on June 1, 8 and 9. Five of our members volunteered to help at least on one day.
 - c. Merchandise Grant - Nancy Thorkildson reported on a grant we could get to pay for promotional items for SACG. Phil Shaff and Wilda Solberg made motions to accept Nancy's request to ask for a grant up to \$500.00. All ayes.
 - d. Other Project Ideas - Sue Herman requested new banners to put on our bridge. Nancy Thorkildson and Rhonda Speckner made motions to accept the request to spend up to \$150 for new banners. All ayes.

- e. Main Street Iowa - Nancy Thorkildson reviewed the Main Street Iowa program with SACG members. Jill Hiding and Wilda Solberg made motions to file a non-binding letter of intent to apply for this program. All ayes.

Adjourn - We adjourned at 7:16 pm