

City of Shelton  
Shelton Senior Center  
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**Special  
Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2019**

The May 21, 2019 special meeting of the Shelton Senior Committee was called to order by Walter Oko, Chairman, at 3:32 p.m. in the conference room of the Shelton Senior Center. The pledge was recited by all present.

**Committee Members in Attendance:**

Walter Oko - Chairman  
Judson Crawford - Treasurer  
Roberta Sutkowski – Secretary  
Cheryl Dziubina  
Barbara Hayslip  
Margaret Keane  
Marilyn Terlaga

**Also Attending**

Doreen Laucella  
Gerry Janofsky

**Absent**

Jill Bruno - Vice-Chairman (due to meeting date change)

**MINUTES:**

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY JUDSON CRAWFORD TO ACCEPT THE APRIL MINUTES OF THE SHELTON SENIOR COMMITTEE. BARBARA HAYSLIP SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

Cheryl questioned the idea of 50/50 raffles to raise funds for the choral director because there aren't any funds to increase his pay. Walter explained that when the choral director heard of the raffles he didn't approve.

**TREASURER'S REPORTS:**

Judson Crawford read the report for the month ending April 30, 2019. Judson reported a balance forward of \$11,876.96, receipts of \$ 327.00, disbursements \$0. leaving an ending balance of \$12,203.96. The four CD's total 60,101.27 added to the \$12,203.96 leaves a total balance in all accounts of \$72,305.23.

Walter Oko made a suggestion to Judson Crawford that he add another column with the original amount invested when the CD's were purchased.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY BARBARA HAYSLIP TO ACCEPT THE APRIL COMMITTEE TREASURER'S REPORT AS READ. ROBERTA SUTKOWSKI SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

Gerry Janofsky read the treasurer's report for the month ending April 30, 2019. He reported a balance forward of \$21,474.55, receipts of \$2,119.03. disbursements \$3,631.44 leaving a balance in the checking account of \$19,962.14. Added to the Memorial Fund Checking, \$1,959.08 and the four CD's, \$32,909.79 the total amount in all accounts is \$56,280.13.

Gerry explained the first line item as a net deposit of \$130. He stated that he had wrote out a check for the musician but it needed to be written to the production company she works for. The check was voided and cash was given to the musician. Gerry wasn't available to write a new check at the time.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY CHERYL DZIUBINA TO ACCEPT THE MEMBERSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL AS READ. MARGARET KEANE SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

Gerry explained that the membership was very generous with the scholarships to Shelton High School this year. The scholarship is usually \$1000. Because there were no applicants last year the Membership awarded \$2000. among three students this year. The Committee felt the applicants were very deserving of the awards.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Doreen reported that 50 people went on the cruise. Everyone had a wonderful time. The Center will continue to plan future trips.

- Elections- The elections went very well. 215 people voted. The process went very smoothly with the Committee members taking turns monitoring the voting. Doreen thanked the Committee for volunteering their time monitoring and later counting the ballots.

The election results were as follows:

President - Ron Goddard

Vice-President - Sally Bonina

Secretary - Betty Goddard

Treasurer – Gerry Janofsky

Delegates – Robert Wood, Claire Isador, Linda Broudeau

Doreen would like the Committee to discuss guidelines as to duality - members being on two boards at the same time. Even though this election there wasn't a need she would like discussion on whether it should be allowed in the future. Margaret stated that there is a Committee drafting the by-laws for the Membership. They will be presented to the Senior Committee when they are ready. Out of Town members running for office was another item for discussion. Walter stated that any changes voted on for the by-laws had to be sent to Corporation Council before they could become part of the by-laws.

Some of the candidate's campaign strategies were discussed. A candidate for treasurer handed out lollipops. Another candidate passed out rocks with a saying on them. Barbara Hayslip stated that people were engaged and voted and it was good to see. Walter Oko

thanked the Committee members who helped with the election and counting of the ballots.

**A MOTION WAS MADE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:18 p.m. CHERYL DZIUBINA SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARILYN TERLAGA TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:35 P.M. JUDSON CRAWFORD SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

- Doreen reported that night time Bingo was a huge success. It was sold out. She thanked Walter Oko for donating a maple tree, Jill Bruno for her plant, Cheryl Dziubina for her gift certificate to Romas and she also thanked the Committee for their \$50 gift card for prizes. Doreen is planning to have another night Bingo in July and in September. She stated she won't be holding the evening dances this summer. The turnout is not that great for the amount of work needed for the events. Doreen would like to have a Caribbean Day at the end of the summer. She is asking that the Committee and the Membership donate as they do for the dances so she could hire a steel band for the Caribbean Day.
- The Karaoke show with Olga Q. on Friday at 1:00 p.m. has only 65 people have signed up. Doreen felt she advertised it wrong, it is not really Karaoke. Olga uses the Karaoke machine as part of her entertainment. There will be a light lunch served. Barbara Hayslip offered to help. Margaret Keane also will be there to help.
- David Scrimenti will provide music for two events at the Center. He will perform with Marc Garfalo. David told Doreen since she is going to hire him for two events he will forgo asking for an increase for directing the chorus.
- Doreen asked Judson Crawford if he sent the \$50 gift to William Smarz's requested charity. Judson stated he sent it and it will show in his treasurer's report next month.
- Cheryl Dziubina told Doreen she has some good news for the Committee regarding UI and the lighting on Wheeler Street. She would like to put it back on the agenda for next month. She also set up an outdoor lighting checkup for businesses. She is continuing to work with UI and is hoping to have two brighter bulbs on Wheeler Street for next month.
- The Volunteer Brunch will be held on June 21. Doreen has sent invites to all the volunteers. She also sent invites to Mr. Merati who brings the tech team from SHS to the Center and Mrs. Riddle who organizes the volunteers that do their community service at the Center. Doreen will also invite the scholarship winners.

- Doreen stated that the Parking lot is not going to happen this year with any help from the Mayor at this time. Walter Oko stated he is going to ask him if we are willing to pay for it can we go ahead with it.
- Doreen would like to have the Committee discuss signing the checks for the Membership. Now that there are new officers, the new signees need to be registered at the bank. Doreen would like the Committee to discuss whether she should be allowed to sign checks. When no one is available it might be helpful if Doreen could sign. One instance was when the Doreen had to give cash to the performer because the check was written out to the wrong person. It would have been better to rewrite a check.
- Induction of the new officers will take place at the Membership meeting in June. Doreen felt it should be some sort of small ceremony.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARGARET KEANE TO ACCEPT THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT. ROBERTA SUTKOWSKI SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Anniversary Party: Doreen stated that she is working with Stone Barn on pricing for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party. The Stone Barn can hold 275 people. Doreen is planning it will be in April so that the threat of bad weather is over and it is not dark so early.
- The new ticket sales procedure has been put in the newsletter. A member can purchase tickets for a whole table if they have all the membership cards and funds for all the members sitting at the table. This will help alleviate the congestion in the lobby on the day tickets go on sale.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- The out of town membership is still being officially calculated. Doreen stated there are at least 30 out of town members that have come off the list. She will have official numbers next month for the Committee.
- Shelton High School has approached the Center to hold a prom for the seniors. Doreen feels with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party it would be too much to plan a prom for this year.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERTA SUTKOWSKI TO CANCEL THE AUGUST MEETING. MARILYN TERLAGA SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERTA SUTKOWSKI TO ADJOURN AT 5:30 PM. JUDSON CRAWFORD SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

Attested to: Corie Blanch Date: 5/21/2019