

The Jan. 11, 2022 Pana Pioneer Heritage Guild meeting was held at 2:00 p.m. at the Industrial Park office of Keith Cearlock. Also present were Gerald Rector, co-chairman, who conducted the meeting; Malinda McClure, Bill and Millie Meyerholz Outis, and guest, Bert Crowe. Mr. Crowe became a new member.

The treasurer's reports for November and December 2022 were provided. The November account was given verbally by the treasurer at the November meeting, but didn't get into the December minutes record. Beginning balance in November was \$546.56, with \$100 donation for the Caitlyn Eversole and Steven Bird wedding in October as income, and checks order, \$25.55 expense, total in checking \$621.01. Building fund beginning balance, \$2,831.78. Expenses were \$95.45 for pole light replacement, electrical work; paint and stain for picnic tables, \$68.38, and for new checking account switched from savings account, \$25.55 for check order. Ending balance, \$2,642.40.

December beginning balance in general fund, \$631.01 with \$10 membership dues for income, \$17.10 for gardening project copies submitted by Malinda McClure. Balance, \$613. Building fund beginning balance, \$2,542.40 had \$600 for donations, with ending balance of \$3,242.40.

Officers' Reports

Malinda said she will prepare for a grant application, but it requires the guild to prepare five-year and one-year plans.

Millie received a letter from a Pryce descendant who lives in Michigan: Denise Leytola wants to help any way she can, including monetary assistance. It is she who donated the \$100 a few years ago that resulted in the guild establishing the building fund. All donations now go into that fund.

Old Business

Due to problems re-establishing the guild's 1980s IRS account, it was decided a new number should be obtained instead. Millie asked for help from a relative who recommended that, along with obtaining an EIN number. Then, accomplishing that, Keith said because of old records causing a hold up in reinstating the guild's Internal Revenue Service's EIN number, another attempt will be made to rectify the situation, it was decided. When that is completed, a button for donations to the non-profit organization will be applied. Donations can then be made to the guild's general fund account in the beginning, as previously determined, through PayPal, which charges 3% per entry.

New Business

Keith reported he had changed the guild's website to pphg.org. There are 420 persons following the Facebook page, and 103 have checked in. He also has 220 signed up to the new Facebook page related to the guild, Coal Creek Village Restoration Project.

Rules for the village were discussed and reviewed. Changes will be compiled with voting to take place at the February meeting.

Keith discussed a membership drive during February, recommending that a sub-committee be formed to accomplish that project by word of mouth, friends and family. Persons interested in re-enacting could be sought through social media.

Malinda distributed gardening information from several sources for consideration of applying to use of the village's garden.

Keith also suggested an article be placed in the newspaper to invite people to come out for a tour of the village.

Another suggestion would be identifying what the guild can provide and identify some things that need to have done at the village.

Millie opined that things for children to do are needed, along with all ages of people. For instance, teach old-time games and make crafts. An activity that kids must sign up for because there would be limited space, and ask

adults to help were suggested.

Millie also informed members that a Cemetery Walk has been considered for Coal Creek Cemetery where many of the area's early settlers are buried. There are several Civil War veterans and an Indian Wars veteran buried there, along with some Pryce family members.

The time of adjournment was not recorded.