

Minutes of the **March 17, 2009**, regular meeting  
of the **Owosso Historical Commission**  
held at the **Gould House**, 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Chairperson Piper Brewer, City Treasurer Ron Tobey, and members JoEllen Hartley, Gary Martenis, Scott Newman, Charles Wascher and Gary Wilson.

Members absent: Crystal Smith and Dick Waters

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Brewer.

Motion by Newman to accept and place on file minutes of February 17, 2009, supported by Wascher and carried.

Motion by Wascher to approve the February 2009 Treasurer's report with support given by Newman. Motion carried.

Members were notified that the supplier of the T-shirts requires a minimum order of 100 shirts and the cost this year has increased to \$6.00. Members had previously approved an order of 50 shirts at a cost of \$5.00 each. Motion by Newman to revise approval to purchase 100 shirts at a cost of \$6.00. Support was given by Wilson with motion approved.

It was noted that Gould House apartment #2 is now vacant. Bathroom plumbing work is necessary. Newman will prepare an ad for Shianet to solicit interested tenants.

Members discussed bids received for Gould House garage reconstruction. Consensus was that the bids received were high. The lowest potential option would provide a structure for \$13,500 but without siding. Notation was made that the bids for the Carriage House roof repairs were pending. With available funds, it is difficult to make a decision on the garage until the carriage house roof costs are determined.

A report on Home Tour progress was not available.

A reminder was given that the SAC "Arts & Antiques" sale is to be held at the Gould House on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Members were also asked to be available to work at the Castle during the Curwood Festival to assist the docents with staffing. It was noted that the Castle should be open from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. on June 6, and from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on June 7.

Motion was made by Newman to authorize purchase of 20 "Bear" DVDs for a cost not to exceed \$140.00. Supported by Wilson and carried.

Tobey was asked to contact Millennium Lawn & Snow Service to determine if they will continue our lawn mowing agreement for 2009 at the same price. Tobey will report back should any increase in price be pending.

It was noted that May 16 is the dedication date for the Wall of History.

Motion to adjourn by Newman at 8:15 p.m. with support given by Martenis.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Tobey, Secretary/Treasurer