

Monday, July 22, 1968
12:00 Noon
Burrows Motor Co.

YAKIMA VALLEY SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF
EARLY WESTERN AMERICANA MINUTES

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- Present:** John Noel, Jr., Presiding
J. S. Applegate
Babe Hollingbery
Clarence Ernst
Alex Deccio
Robert N. Bargewell
- Ted Robertson
John Bloxom, Sr.
Bill Bolger
Click Relander
M. Todd Smith
- Guests:** Kay Kime, Yakima Federal Savings and Loan
John Winterringer of Vance Shelhamer Advertising Co.
- Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the recording secretary. Regarding the roof repair, it was explained it could cost as high as \$1,350 to repair the roof that would last for four or five years but could be repaired for approximately \$600.00.
- Publicity** Mr. Noel thanked Mr. Relander for his outstanding articles on the moving of the museum. He asked Mr. Relander if, in a future publicity release, the names of the Advisory Committee and Messrs. Bolger and Ernst and Relander be mentioned. He also asked if the Elks could be given due credit in a future story. Mr. Relander stated that a future article could include the Elks gesture.
- Finalization of Collection** Mr. Noel complimented Mr. Applegate on handling the purchase of the collection. Mr. Applegate stated there was still some question as to the property being released because of the unsigned security agreement. However, since he was in the Sunnyside area he made the necessary arrangements to proceed with the moving. Mr. Applegate asked the group for their authorization of the necessary papers including the Security Agreement and promissory note, etc. Mr. Applegate moved that the authorization be given for the execution of the instruments. The motion was seconded by Ted Robertson and carried.
- Moving** Mr. Bargewell reported that nine items are in Mabton to be moved. The National Guard worked from Wednesday to Friday noon, making 93 loads with 405 men involved. Mr. Bargewell stated he will contact Lt. Col. Daniels regarding the move of the other items. Mr. Bargewell asked if a reception should be held for the 130 officers, etc. A reception may be held this week. Over \$12,000 in man hours and related equipment was tallied. Mr. Deccio stated that we owe Mr. Bargewell a vote of thanks for assisting and supervising the moving operation. Mr. Ernst asked if letters of appreciation would be sent to the National Guard.
- Building Restoration** Mr. Noel stated that the walls in the large room had been painted since the last meeting and Mr. Wagner will paint the floor. He further stated that they have selected the paint for the showroom. Mr. Smith will find out this afternoon regarding union assistance in painting, etc. The ceiling in the showroom has been repaired due to donated materials from Bestway Lumber Co. and volunteer help. Mr. Bargewell stated that a one hour fire wall is needed and Mr. Smith stated this is being taken care of. Mr. Deccio recommended a three hour fire wall.

MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Hollingbery asked when we are going to contact the people discussed earlier for membership. Mr. Noel stated that he would like to expand the number of Board Members to include Bill Bolger, Clarence Ernst, Click Relander, Homer Splawn and George Martin. He recommended expanding slowly. Mr. Applegate moved the appointment of the following individuals to the Board subject to the approval of each appointee.

Clarence Ernst
Alex Deccio
George Martin

Bill Bolger
M. Todd Smith
Homer Splawn
Lester Lewis

Click Relander
Robert Bargewell
Gordon Hansen

The motion was seconded by John Bloxom and carried. Mr. Noel stated that the Executive Committee will consist of the following: The seven previous members, Clarence Ernst, Bill Bolger, Click Relander and he stated the Advisory Committee will consist of M. Todd Smith, Alex Deccio and Robert N. Bargewell.

"As the Valley
Was" Book

Mr. Noel introduced Messrs. Kay Kime and John Winterringer who were present to discuss the book, "As the Valley Was", published by Yakima Federal Savings and Loan. Mr. Kime stated that well over \$4,000 was spent in printing costs for the book. He stated that the request from the Gannon Museum Group for the rights on the book has been accepted by Yakima Federal Savings and Loan and wanted the group's approval on a commitment of 2,500 at \$1.20 a book since they will be reprinting 6,000 to be completed within seven or eight weeks. Mr. Bert Broad mentioned that the books could sell for \$2.95 each. Mr. Winterringer stated that they would like a commitment because they will do some changes in the book, delete the first page and copyright, change the acknowledgement, and the preface, etc., thus saving the group extra costs. Mr. Applegate moved that the offer of Yakima Federal Savings and Loan of the copyright on the book, "As the Valley Was" and the acceptance of 1,000 copies at \$1.20 each with the balance up to 4,500 on consignment be accepted with appreciation, seconded by John Bloxom and carried. Mr. Noel stated that in appreciation with Yakima Federal Savings and Loan, the group would cooperate with display items (with approval of Dr. Gannon for wagon collection).

Roof Repair

Mr. Applegate stated that the lease with the Elks states that the responsibility of repairing the roof is the Gannon's. Mr. Hollingbery and Mr. Bloxom did not have that understanding. Mr. Noel stated that perhaps we could negotiate on a 50-50 basis. Mr. Bloxom and Mr. Hollingbery will meet with the Elks.

Insurance

Mr. Deccio stated that the building is insured for \$125,000 and the contents for \$150,000. All risk insurance on a museum floater. He recommended insurance on the glass in the show room. Mr. Noel suggested \$100 deductible on the glass coverage.

NEXT MEETING - SAME TIME - SAME PLACE - MONDAY, JULY 29
